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J. H. SANDS.

Born at Rohrsburg, this County, in 1852. Died at Bowling Green Ohio, January 27.

The Bowling Green, (Ohio) Daily *Sentinel* of Monday, January 29 contains the following account of the death of Joseph H. Sands, a brief notice of which appeared in our last issue.

Joseph H. Sands, after a struggle with disease for years, passed quietly into the Great Beyond about 10:30 o'clock on Saturday evening.

The funeral will be held at his late home on Court street at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Eccles will preach the funeral sermon. The services will be in charge of Whitney lodge, I. O. O. F. of Portage assisted by Centennial lodge of this place.

The remains will lie in state at the house from nine to eleven o'clock Tuesday morning. At this time those who desire to do so may view them.

Few people were better known and better liked in Bowling Green than Joe Sands. He was a favorite with all who knew him and one of the sort who made friends with every person he met.

For the last few years though much broken down in health, he has done a great deal toward the promotion of the best interests of the town and though not able to get about much of the time, his energy and spirit made itself manifest in many worthy enterprises.

Mr. Sands has been suffering for some years with consumption, and though his friends could see that he was slowly but surely nearing the end of his life's journey he never would admit that such was the case and always talked in the same cheerful mood with friends who dropped in to see him. He believed that he would again get his health and be able to enter into the upbuilding of Bowling Green with his old time vigor.

Joseph H. Sands was a self made man in every sense of the word. He was born July 3, 1852 at Rohrsburg, Columbia county, Pa. He was one of a family of eight children. He spent his boyhood days at his home. At the age of seventeen he became a student at the Starkey (New York) seminary. Upon leaving school he went west to "grow up with the country," arriving in Bowling Green in 1871. After about a year he removed to Cincinnati, but returned here soon after, beginning as a hotel clerk at a small salary.

He later removed to Portage where he was employed as a clerk in Mr. MacMahan's store. He was there for four years in this capacity, after which he again came to Bowling Green and formed a partnership with William Goit and later with R. W. MacMahan in the hardware business.

The venture proved a success financially, but Mr. Sands' health failed him and he was compelled to seek some other business. He then became a member of the oil producing firm of Hankey Bros. & Sands and was one of the organizers and principal promoters of the Bowling Green Natural Gas Co. of which he was president at the time it went out of business.

On September 3, 1877, Mr. Sands was married to Miss Mary D. Turner, of Portage, O., who survives him.

Mr. Sands was successful in his business ventures and leaves considerable property.

For several years Mr. Sands has spent his winters in the south and on the Pacific coast in search of health, but this winter he was not able to leave his home.

Three Aged People.

Samuel J. Harrison, of Fishingcreek township, called at this office on Tuesday, and in conversation he mentioned the fact that the ages of three old people in that township aggregate 250 years. They are John M. Emery, who will be 83 years old on April 26th next; his wife, who was 80 years old on November 20th last; and her brother, Christian D. Kendick, who was 87 last August. They all reside in Fishingcreek township, and are in good health.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

The revival services in this church this week have been of unusual interest. For the past two or three nights the altar has been filled with earnest seekers. The audiences have been large—so large that if it does not rain the services to-night will be held in the main auditorium. Rev. M. E. McLinn will preach. Christian people are urged to pray for the meeting, and the unconverted are cordially invited to come.

DEMOCRATS NOMINATE.

Frank Ikeler is the Party's Choice for President of Council.

The Attendance was Quite Large, but Interest Lagged.

The Democratic caucus, convened in the Town Hall Thursday evening last at 7:30. The meeting came to order, and after a brief statement, setting forth the object of the gathering by W. A. Evert, Esq., G. F. Quick was chosen chairman, and W. A. Evert and R. Rush Zarr Secretaries.

The first in order, in the line of nominations, was that of Justice of the Peace. There was no opposition to Guy Jacoby, the present incumbent, and he was made the unanimous choice.

For President of Town Council, Frank Ikeler was the only name presented and his nomination was made unanimous.

There appeared to be no dearth of candidates for members of Council, as can be seen from the following list, which was placed in nomination: Con. L. Cronin, Henry F. Dieffenbach, John A. Cox, Wm. Kashner, C. S. Furman, D. R. Coffman and Dr. T. C. Harter The vote was then taken. C. M. Hess and C. M. Terwilliger were appointed tellers. The result: Cronin 89, Dieffenbach, 65, Cox, 68, Kashner, 33, Furman 19, Coffman, 25, Harter 11. The first three were declared the nominees.

There were two candidates for tax collector, L. M. Sleppy and E. J. Stetler. The vote of the caucus was largely in favor of the former, and he will be the party's candidate for that office.

J. C. Rutter Jr. was nominated for school director without opposition.

On motion of William Krickbaum, and duly seconded and carried, the chair was vested with authority to fill any vacancies, that may arise from withdrawals or other causes.

The Ward nominations were then made.

1st ward—Judge, Chas. Pensyl, Inspector, Fred. C. Eyer, Reg. Assessor, Thos. Gorrey, Jr.

2nd ward—Judge, John Welliver, Inspector, George Yost, Reg. Assessor, Frank Baum.

3rd ward—Judge, C. E. Savage, Inspector, P. H Freeze, Reg. Assessor, G. D. Hartman.

4th ward—Judge, Wm. Kashner, Inspector, John Wanick, Reg. Assessor, John Tracy.

Death of Amruth Noble.

Amruth Noble, well known because of his long residence in this town, he having lived here continuously for about thirty-eight years, died at his home on Catharine street, Friday morning. The affliction was a general breaking up of the system. He had been compelled to remain indoors for some time past. A few days previous to his death he was stricken with paralysis, and his condition from that time on was such as to admit of but little hope. He continued to grow weaker until death claimed him. In his younger life he was a boatman on the canal. He gave up that business and located in town, where he secured employment as bus driver for Peter Billmeyer, who, at that time, conducted the Exchange Hotel. He was afterward employed by W. H. Gilmore. It was at the latter position that his health gave way, and he was compelled to retire. Mr. Noble is survived by a wife and one son, Amruth. The funeral, with interment in Rosemont Cemetery, occurred on Monday, Rev. McLinn, of the Lutheran Church, officiating.

FAIR BLOOMSBURG.

The following lines were constructed by a book agent, now in town. He has a personal prejudice against notoriety, and for that reason has requested us to omit his name:

There's a bright little berg, which I quite often visit,
And of which a few words I would say,
For nought in the world would tempt me to miss it,
When my business called me that way.

'Tis a picturesque town, 'pon the slope of a hill,
And the river gently glides at its base,
Producing a picture so peaceful and still,
For contentment seems to reign in the place.

Its people are industrious, free-hearted and gay,
And treat all who call with respect,
So whether on business, or pleasure you stay,
You will leave with a sigh of regret.

I now haste away in response to the call
Of duty, to return I hope soon,
I regard thee of towns, the fairest of all,
And I love thee and thy people, fair Bloom.

AROUND THE COURT.

Resolutions Adopted by the County Commissioners, and County Auditors.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at a recent meeting:

That the regular meeting days for the commissioners at their office in Bloomsburg be Tuesday and Saturday of each week, at which time all persons having business with the Board will appear and present the same or have it presented for consideration and to meet on such other days as the Board shall adjourn to, as they may find necessary for the performance of their official duties; and that no pay be allowed any member of the Board for time at office outside of their regular meeting days, except for adjourned meetings and meetings on call after each member has had due notice; and that no bills be approved, or orders drawn on the county treasurer, except at a meeting of the full Board, or of which the absent member has had due notice, or the same having been duly authorized at a previous meeting regularly held by the Board and so appearing on the minutes; and it is also provided that the several members shall draw their pay quarterly, beginning with March 31st, on bills properly made out as required by law and orders drawn on the county treasurer.

It is further agreed that if any one member of the Board shall discover any thing at any bridge in the county which needs immediate repair he is hereby directed to have same repaired at once. And further, that the general repairs needed at any bridge shall be brought before the Board at a meeting and the Board shall direct how and by whom the work shall be done, and the one having charge of such repairs shall first approve the bill as being correct before the Board approves the same. It is also agreed that no persons be paid for any repairs or snowing bridges unless the same shall have been ordered by the Board.

Solicitor Zarr decided that the act of 1878, relating to the commissioners having their bonds acknowledged and recorded at the expense of the county, was still in force and, therefore, the county was liable; also that the county is not liable to the prothonotary for swearing the jury commissioners and their clerk; neither is county liable for pay of clerk to jury commissioners.

Acting on the question of compensation of the County Treasurer, the County Auditors offered the following resolution, which was concurred in by the Commissioners.

Resolved, that the full compensation of the county treasurer for the year beginning the first Monday of January 1900 shall be three per cent on all monies received and paid out by him, (this to mean commission only one way, that is on monies paid out) saving and excepting that said treasurer shall receive only one and one-half per cent. for monies paid by him for the redemption of county bonds and the interest on same; and that said treasurer shall receive only one and one-half per cent. on monies paid by him for any one item (said item to mean the whole construction of such item for bridge repairs, bridge building or contracts of any kind) of repairs or improvements to any public building or any county, creek or river bridge or any other improvements, or construction of any kind whatever, or damage awarded in any case, or the approach to any bridge or road where such cost or bill shall exceed $500; and that the county treasurer shall receive no commission or compensation for monies paid by him for temporary loans of any kind, and if any new bond indebtedness become necessary the treasurer shall receive only one-half of one per cent. in paying out the proceeds of such bonds.

Submitted to the Board of Auditors January 31st, 1900.

Guy Jacoby Esq., who has been renominated by the Democrats of this town for the office of Justice of the Peace, has filled that position heretofore with entire satisfaction. He is cool, level-headed, endowed with good common sense and excellent judgment, and being a lawyer, his legal knowledge is of great assistance in the performance of his duties. He will no doubt be re-elected.

The D. L. & W. Railroad Company has purchased of W. S. Ash at Lime Ridge, a piece of land, on which a milk station will be established. This will afford the farmers in that section an opportunity to dispose of their milk.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

A Large Attendance Marked the First Two Days of Regular February Court.

The regular February term of Court convened at 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday with his Honor Robert R. Little, and Associates Fox and Kurtz, on the bench.

Estate Aaron Boone. Report or exceptions to auditor's report referred back to the auditor.

Rebecca Croop vs. Henry Drifuss. Rule for new trial discharged upon the plaintiff filing a writing within 30 days that she will remit all of verdict in excess of $25.00, otherwise rule made absolute.

W. L. Ritter vs. James H. Benscoter. Mechanic's lien stricken from the records.

James B. Case vs. Charles Walker et al. Judgment stricken off.

Union National Bank, of Mahanoy City, vs. Magee Carpet Works. Rule to show cause why judgment should not be entered for want of sufficient affidavit of defense. Rule discharged.

C. A. Caswell appointed guardian of E. O. Caswell, minor child of J. O. Caswell.

David Eveland appointed guardian of Minnie M. and Myrtle J. Stine, minor children of Daniel Stine.

Cleveland Twp. Poor District vs. Middle Creek Twp. Poor District. Petition for allowance of counsel fees. Rule granted.

J. A. Guie admitted and sworn as a member of Columbia county bar.

W. E. Deitterick appointed inspector of elections for the 4th district of Bloomsburg.

Com. vs. G. W. Perkins. Continued to next sessions.

Estate of Elias Dreibelbis. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Commonwealth vs. Sober. Continued to next sessions.

Road in Millville Borough and Greenwood Twp., near Friends' meeting house. Report of viewers in favor of a road confirmed nisi.

Estate Letilia Everett. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

C. L. Sands was appointed foreman of grand jury.

B. F. Dallman appointed constable to wait on grand jury.

Bruce Fortner appointed inspector of elections for 2nd. ward of Centralia.

Estate William Thomas. Auditor's report confirmed nisi.

Report of reviewers against a road in Montour township, near house of W. C. Kuster, confirmed nisi.

Estate of Mary E. Drake. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of Catherine Vandine. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of David Vandine. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of Allen Shellhamer. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Esther Bittenbender vs. Samuel R. Bittenbender. Subpoena in divorce awarded.

Estate of B. F. Ford. Report of sale confirmed nisi

C. T. Adams appointed guardian of Hattie and Robert E. Miller minor children of W. F. Miller.

Ida L. McAfee vs. Levi McAffee. Subpoena in divorce awarded.

M. A. Bibby appointed guardian of Byron, Pearl, Sterling, Pardee and G. W. L. Manhart, minor children of Sarah J. Manhart.

Estate of Ezra Stevens. Partition awarded.

Estate Daniel Sult. Petition of A. J. Sult for approval of the payment of the funeral expenses of Jesse P. Sult. Granted.

Recognizance of Lloyd Ernest in the sum of $300.00 taken for appearance at May sessions.

County auditor's report presented and ordered filed.

David H. Remley vs. Amanda G. Remley. Divorce decreed.

D. C. Knight vs. W. F. Knight. Divorce decreed.

Estate E. A. Rawlings. Sale of real estate ordered and administratrix granted permission to bid at the sale.

Com. vs. Boyd Shaffer. A true bill.

Report of reviewers against a road in Fishingcreek twp., near A. J. Karns. Confirmed absolute.

Report of viewers for county bridge over Briar Creek, near M. H. Petty's. Confirmed absolute.

Report of viewers in favor of the acquisition of toll bridge over Susquehanna River at Berwick confirmed absolute.

Report of viewers in favor of public road in Cleveland twp. Confirmed nisi.

The court entered its decree incorporating the borough of Orangeville and appointed the following election officers: M. B. Patterson, Judge; George H. Harman and R. A. Brewer, Inspectors. For the township the court appointed Bowman's mill as the election place and Wesley Bowman Judge and Judson Kocher and Joseph Henrie, inspectors.

Estate John H. Henninger. Auditor's report confirmed nisi.

Recognizance of Frank Smyth in the sum of $300, taken in open court.

Estate George Beagle Order to sell real estate, granted.

Allowance of $200.00 granted E. O. Caswell.

C. D. Fowler vs. Susan Fowler. Divorce decreed.

Nelson Johnson vs. Sarah C. Johnson. Divorce decreed.

Arthur Thomas pleads guilty to the charge of larceny.

David Pursell was retried upon a charge of stealing chickens. The jury returns a verdict of not guilty and the county to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Eva Omlor. Assault and battery. Not a true bill and the county to pay costs.

Frank Sanders was put on trial for f. and b. Jessie Detraine, prosecutrix. After the evidence of the prosecutrix was heard, the defendant withdrew the plea of not guilty. He was immediately sentenced to pay a fine of $50.00, to pay $15.00 lying in expenses, and $1.25 a week for the support of the child until it reaches the age of seven years.

James Glenn was acquitted of the charge of larceny.

Estate of Iliff Arter. Order for sale of real estate granted.

David I. Maguire vs. Clara A. Maguire. Petition for divorce. Publication ordered.

In re estate of Henry Detwiler. Report of inquest is continued until next term.

In the matter of the Sheriff's sale of the estate of Henry Hill, dec'd. The acknowledgement of the Sheriff's deed is continued until next term.

In the estate of Samuel Henrie. The order of sale is continued.

In the estate of Levi Beishline, order of sale continued.

In the matter of a public road in Pine township, near the dwelling house of Joel Cox. The order to the viewers is continued.

Commonwealth vs. Stanley Hallock. Embezzlement. Defendant pleaded guilty to four and five counts in the indictment. Upon request of the counsel for the defendant, Mr. Amerman, and by agreement with the District Attorney, sentence was suspended.

Commonwealth vs. Minnie Sassaman, Malicious mischief. Upon motion, nol pros. allowed.

Commonwealth vs. Boyd Shaffer. Assault and battery. This was by far the most interesting case on the list. It appears that Harry Mitchell and a young lady, Miss Rosabelle Fennesy, were walking out Fifth street, this town, on the evening of December 17th last, and were met by Shaffer. Mitchell claimed that a few words were exchanged, after which Shaffer struck him, knocking him down and breaking his wrist. The defendant denied that he had struck Mitchell at all. Several witnesses testified on both sides, including the young lady. The case occupied the attention of the Court nearly all of Tuesday, and a part of Wednesday. The verdict of the jury, after being out nearly six hours, was guilty.

GRAND JURORS' REPORT.

We have examined the public buildings and find them in good repair except the Recorder's office and Judge's room. We recommend for Recorder's office 3 revolving stools, ceiling painted light, window cords, table cover, new window locks, shutter fastening fixed, type writer for use of record books, wainscoting repaired, room papered. We also recommend for Judge's and adjoining room, both rooms papered, ceiling repaired, communicating door cut between rooms also adjoining room carpeted.

We also recommend matting in the hall on first floor. We also recommend that an arc light be placed in front of jail and telephone in jail.

C. L. SANDS, FOREMAN.

Election Notices.

Constables can procure election notices for the spring election at this office. They will be sent by mail for twelve cents a dozen. Cash must accompany the order. Postage stamps will be accepted on mail orders.

The Right Rev. Bishop Talbot, D. D will visit St. Paul's Church, Wednesday April 11. This will be in the week before Easter.

A fine pair of white chickens are exhibited in the window of E. F. Row's barber shop.

"Like glorious sunshine our prices fall,
Their golden rays shed dollars for you all."

Our Fine Stock of

Overcoats ❋ and ❋ Ulsters

MUST BE SOLD.

True, every day brings its satisfied buyers, but while they are going fast, they must go faster still. When we say

OUR OVERCOATS MUST BE SOLD

'Tis no idle talk, no advertising catch phrase. They all must go, and the prices are going to make you take them away.

If you need an Overcoat,
If you think you'd like one,
If you're ever going to need one,
Now is your time to buy.

For they must go, if low
Prices will make them go.

Ben Gidding

BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

☞ Come in and see us—we'll treat you right.

BRITONS REPULSED

Forced Back Across the Tugela River.

Boer Advices Indicate Another Buller Defeat.

Lords Roberts and Kitchener Leave Cape Town to Take Command.

LOURENCO MARQUES, Feb. 7.—A dispatch from the Boer head laager, near Ladysmith, dated Feb. 6, says:

"Since yesterday the British, with naval and other guns, have bombarded our positions on the upper Tugela. The troops crossed the river at the pont and at Molen drift, with the object of storming our positions. At the former General Burger beat them back, and they recrossed in great confusion.

"The fighting continues at Molen drift with the Standerton and Johannesburg commandos. There were no casualties on our side. The cannonade was the fiercest yet experienced. There was a continuous roaring all day long. This morning it recommenced with an increased number of guns."

ROBERTS AND KITCHENER.

They Leave Cape Town to Take Command at the Front.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—While the suspense regarding General Buller's movements and the operations affecting the fate of Ladysmith continues unrelieved even by the vaguest dispatch, there comes from other quarters interesting news in the announcement that Field Marshal Lord Roberts, the commander in chief of the

LORD KITCHENER.

British forces in South Africa, and his chief of staff, Major General Lord Kitchener, have left for the front. As this information was held up for several hours by the censor, it seems to indicate that an important movement is on foot.

A dispatch from Sterkstroom, dated this morning, announces that the Boers are attacking General Gatacre from two directions. Firing was then proceeding between the outposts, and a delayed Sterkstroom dispatch, dated Monday, Feb. 5, announces that a body of troops left the camp Feb. 3 and that important developments were expected. It is quite probable that this explains Lord Roberts' departure and that the commander in chief wishes either to be present at or supervise the long intended movement by General Gatacre to join forces with General Kelly-Kenny and thence strongly reenforce General French, completing the latter's work at Colesberg and establishing without fear of serious opposition an advanced position for the main movement. This, of course, is greatly supposition, but it can be confidently said that the departure of Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener for the front does not indicate that the main advance has begun. The commanders will probably be back in Cape Town within a short time. It is pointed out that the term going to the front must not be interpreted into the idea that a great movement upon Pretoria by way of Bloemfontein has seriously commenced. It will be a month or perhaps much longer before this can be brought about. In the meanwhile the preliminary steps are likely to enliven the campaign with sharp fighting, and news from Sterkstroom, Thebus and Colesberg is eagerly awaited.

Supposition regarding General Buller, owing to lack of all definite information, is as futile as it was yesterday.

The Standard has received the following dispatch, dated Feb. 5, from Koppie's Dam:

"General Macdonald, with a brigade of infantry, a regiment of lancers and one battery, has reached here from Modder River camp in what is regarded as an important movement to the right of the Boer position at Magersfontein.

"Koppie's Dam commands the roads from Kimberley to Hopetown and Douglas. Two Boer laagers, at Kamul Hoek and Griquatown, are within striking distance.

"The arrival of General Macdonald's column was opportune, as it just prevented two large commandoes effecting a junction. He now holds both banks of the river.

"Our lancers had two brushes with the Boer patrols. There is great activity among the enemy, and strong forces are concentrating to oppose our further advance. The troops suffered from heat and scarcity of water during the march."

Irish Party For the Boers.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—John Redmond, chairman of the United Irish party, was loudly cheered by all sections of the Irish members when he rose in the house of commons today to move an amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne, representing that the time had arrived to bring the war to a conclusion on the basis of recognizing the independence of the Transvaal and the Orange Free State. He said the Irish party abhorred this war and intended, so far as possible, to maintain the independence of the republics defended with such heroism.

Mr. Redmond admitted that when the empire was involved in complications a feeling of hope and satisfaction stirred the majority of the Irish at home and abroad. But, he continued, the sympathies of the Irish would still have been pro-Boer even if England had not been concerned and another power had attempted to "act the bully and oppressor in South Africa. England today," added Mr. Redmond, "stands not in splendid but in disgraceful isolation, Turkey alone lending her countenance."

While admitting that official expression of hostility had not been heard in the United States, "chiefly because America, being engaged in the Philippine war, has not felt herself in a position to rebuke England, as she would otherwise have done," Mr. Redmond asserted that the overwhelming opinion of leading American statesmen was hostile to Great Britain in this war and said the "unanimous disapproval of the world demonstrated that the war was unjust, and it ought therefore to be stopped."

Mr. Timothy Healy, Irish Nationalist, during the course of a speech dwelling on the British defeats said:

"Heretofore the Boers have only had two feast days in their calendar—Dingaans day and Majuba day. But England has given them Buller's day, White's day, Gatacre's day, Methuen's day, Yule's and Symons' day."

Loud and continued cries of "Shame!" greeted the reference to the deceased general, and Mr. Healy hastened to declare that he had the greatest respect for the late General Symons.

Mr. Healy, continuing, said the most pathetic incident of the war was the correspondence between General Symons and General Joubert before General Symons' death, and the "only unworthy feature was the English turned their backs upon their dying general."

Mr. Redmond's amendment was rejected by a vote of 368 to 66. The house then adjourned.

What England Desires of Us.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 7.—The White Star line steamer Oceanic, which sails from this port today for New York, will have among her passengers Mrs. Adair, head of the American hospital ship Maine committee, who is a daughter of General Wadsworth, killed during the battle of the Wilderness, and owner of the largest cattle ranch in the Panhandle of Texas. Mrs. Adair is going to America in connection with the Maine. She says:

"I hope every one will have understood that I am not going on a begging expedition. I believe in my heart that there is among all Americans of English descent a strong feeling of sympathy and attachment for the mother country. What I am going to America for is to see how best it can be brought out. I am not going to beg, for if this feeling is not spontaneous, instead of being gratifying to the English nation, it almost casts a slur upon them. England does not want our charity. She would not let one wounded soldier be neglected. But what she does want at this moment, when almost every continental power is scowling at her and she is menaced from every quarter, is that we who sprang from her side shall understand her and stand by her, and we mean to do so."

Skirmish Near Ladysmith.

MODDER SPRUIT, Feb. 7.—On Saturday the Pretoria corps discovered a party of British from Ladysmith intrenched at a railroad bridge, protecting a number of coolies who were cutting grass. A party of Boers dispatched to the scene was attacked from the trenches, and all retreated except four, who, hiding, permitted the British to advance to within 50 yards, when they fired a volley, killing three men. This was seen from the British fort, which fired a shell and sent cavalry to assist the British. The Boers beat these back, killing two men.

Messages from Ladysmith, dated Feb. 5, say continuous cannonading has been proceeding since 5 o'clock in the morning, with the occasional roar of a Long Tom. The firing, it is added, continues.

Want Our Horses.

PHENIX, A. T., Feb. 7.—Since the announcement a few days ago that a man claiming to be an agent of England had arrived in Prescott for the purpose of buying 1,000 range horses for cavalry service in South Africa advices have been received from the southern part of the territory that agents have been at work there also. It is known that British agents are preparing to purchase a large number of horses from the middle west, and it is believed many will be taken from the southwest.

Terminal For Coal Road.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Ten acres of land running from the uplands to tide water in Newark bay at Newark, N. J., which were being sought by a combination of coal miners in Pennsylvania as a terminal for a new coal road, were sold by Master In Chancery Walter J. Knight at the Newark courthouse yesterday. George W. Tichenor of Newark was the purchaser. Mr. Tichenor declined to say who he represented in the deal, but it is believed that he purchased the land for one of the existing coal roads.

Reset a Broken Neck.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Bartholomew Moriarty, a hod carrier, 60 years of age, has left St. Joseph's hospital in Yonkers apparently as strong as ever, although he had suffered for four months from a broken neck. He fell from a building in October and broke his neck. He partly recovered, but paralysis set in, and in December he hobbled from his home in Dobbs Ferry to Yonkers, where the two sections which were pressing against the spinal column were reset successfully.

United States Treasurer Sued.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States, has been sued by Receiver Shaw of the Franklin National bank to recover on two protested notes aggregating more than $10,000. The suit is an outcome of private business transactions and has nothing to do with the funds of the government.

Women Who Want to Vote.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—A delegation of women appeared to favor Mr. Kelsey's bill yesterday before the judiciary committee of the assembly permitting women who are taxpayers to vote for town officers. Mrs. Mary Loines and Mrs. Priscilla D. Hackstaff spoke in favor of the measure.

New German Cable Line.

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—The German direct cable from Emden to New York, by way of the Azores, will be laid by a London company. It will cost £985,000. The cable will be 4,336 miles long.

Centenarian Dead.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Feb. 7.—Mrs. Mary Ann Matthieu, aged 100 years and 8 months, is dead here of the grip. She was born in France and lived here 32 years.

PORTO RICO TARIFF

Ways and Means Committee on the Pending Measure.

Arguments Against Taxing the Island's Trade.

The Plans For the Civil Government of the Philippine Archipelago.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—It developed today in connection with the Porto Rico tariff bill that the Republican majority of the ways and means committee was not unanimous for the measure or for the principle it involved as to the government of territorial acquisitions and that Representative McCall, Republican member of the committee from Massachusetts, had prepared a strong dissenting report. When the ways and means committee passed on the bill last week, Mr. McCall withheld his vote, the understanding being that he had not yet given that careful attention to the issues involved necessary to permit him to vote either way. In other respects, the vote was on party lines, all the Republican members except Mr. McCall voting for the bill and all the Democrats against it.

The ways and means committee at its meeting today reached an understanding that the debate on the Porto Rico tariff bill would begin on the 15th inst. and last one week. The bill was changed in two particulars—section 3 was amended so that articles, like tobacco, subject to an internal revenue tax in the United States shall pay that tax as well as 25 per cent of the customs duty; section 4 was changed so as to make it clear that the duties, etc., collected shall be used exclusively for the benefit of Porto Rico.

The appointment of Judge Taft marks the first selection for the new Philippine commission. There will be five members on the commission, and all of them will be civilians. Mr. Schurman, president of the existing commission, has declined for business reasons to remain on the commission, so Judge Taft will be president in his place. Mr. Denby and Professor Worcester have been invited to accept reappointments, but so far have not signified their intentions. Admiral Dewey will not go back to Manila, and General Otis will give way, like him, to a civilian. Secretary Root said that no instructions had been framed for the new commission as yet, but it would be easy to perceive from the sentiments set out in the president's message what these instructions would be.

Judge Taft called at the war department, in company with Judge Day, late secretary of state, and had a long talk with Secretary Root as to the plans for the commission. As some surprise has been caused by the willingness of Judge Taft to surrender a life position of the dignity and emolument of United States circuit judge to join the commission it may be said that the prevalent impression is that as soon as the commission shall have succeeded in replacing the existing military government in the Philippines with stable civil governments Judge Taft will be named as the first civil governor general of the archipelago. It is not thought that this change will take place at once, but the commission is expected to move steadily toward that object and to set up local civil governments as fast as the Filipinos shall demonstrate their worthiness.

GERMANS AND OUR CANAL.

What Is Thought In Berlin of the Proposed Treaty.

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—The news of the Hay-Pauncefote agreement relating to the construction of the Nicaragua canal was received here with interest. A German foreign office official empowered to speak for Count von Bulow, the foreign secretary, said:

"Germany's political interests are not affected by the Nicaragua agreement, and so far as the trade interests of Germany are concerned we assume that the United States will manage the canal on liberal principles. The government was informed that negotiations were in progress between the United States and Great Britain, but was not consulted about the terms of the agreement."

The official in question continued:

"We deny most emphatically that Germany ever thought of acquiring St. Thomas or any other island in those waters. Germany is not hunting around for more stray territory."

The papers comment calmly upon the agreement. The Lokal Anzeiger says: "Another obstacle to the complete supremacy of the United States over the American continent has been removed."

The National Zeitung in a long editorial maintains that the chances are decidedly in favor of a waterway across Nicaragua and expresses the opinion that congress will definitely dispose of the question this year.

Sale of Florida Stumpage.

DOVER, Fla., Feb. 7.—Greer Bros. of Dakota, Ga., have purchased, at this place a site for a big sawmill and 20,000 acres of timber land, the cash consideration being $200,000. The firm will cut lumber largely for export to Cuba and Central and South American countries. They will also construct railroads to run from several points in their property.

Bad Storm In Montana.

GREAT FALLS, Mon., Feb. 7.—The worst wind and snow storm ever known in this locality occurred yesterday. Much damage was done to the lighter class of buildings and to the telephone and electric light wires. No fatalities are yet reported, but it is feared that the loss of stock on the ranges will be large.

New Trial For Benham.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Feb. 7.—The news of the decision of Justice Hooker in giving Benham a new trial was heard with much surprise in Batavia. Upon being informed of the decision by a reporter Benham's father immediately wired his son in Auburn prison.

Schoolgirl Killed by Train.

NEWBURG, N. Y., Feb. 7.—Mabel Cox, aged 13, a schoolgirl, was struck and killed on the West Shore railroad track yesterday afternoon at Cornwall. She was crossing the track to go skating on the Hudson.

Arrest of Train Robbers.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Patrick Crowe, arrested here on suspicion of having been connected with the sensational robbery of the Northwestern fast mail at tower W, 46 miles west of here, Oct. 13, was identified as one of the quartet which secured booty from the train variously estimated from $25,000 to $100,000. The identification was made by James White, engineer of the train which was robbed; Charles James, operator at tower W, and by the fireman of the locomotive and the express messenger in charge of the money which was stolen. Crowe was then turned over to Sheriff Dimmick of Kane county.

Phosphate Lands Sold.

OCALA, Fla., Feb. 7.—Deeds have been recorded here that convey 23,000 acres of phosphate lands in Alachua and Levy counties owned by the Compagnie Generale des Phosphates de la Florida to La Societe Nouvelle des Phosphates de la Floridi. The first is a corporation organized under the laws of this state, and the second is a Belgian corporation with headquarters at Brussels. The consideration for the property was $400,000 in cash.

Body Recovered.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—The body of Mrs. Mary Finley, who, with her husband, Captain John Finley, was drowned from a barge early Monday morning in Huntington bay, Long Island, has been recovered. On the woman's body was found a pocketbook containing $60 in money, and a bankbook floated ashore showing deposits of $5,000 in the Rondout (N. Y.) bank, where the Finleys lived.

Died In Dentist's Chair.

WEBSTER, Mass., Feb. 7.—Ernest L. Partridge of Charlton dropped dead yesterday in a dentist's chair. He told Dr. Hitchcock he wanted 13 teeth pulled. As the operation was to be so extensive he was placed partially under the influence of ether. As the seventh tooth was extracted he fell back dead.

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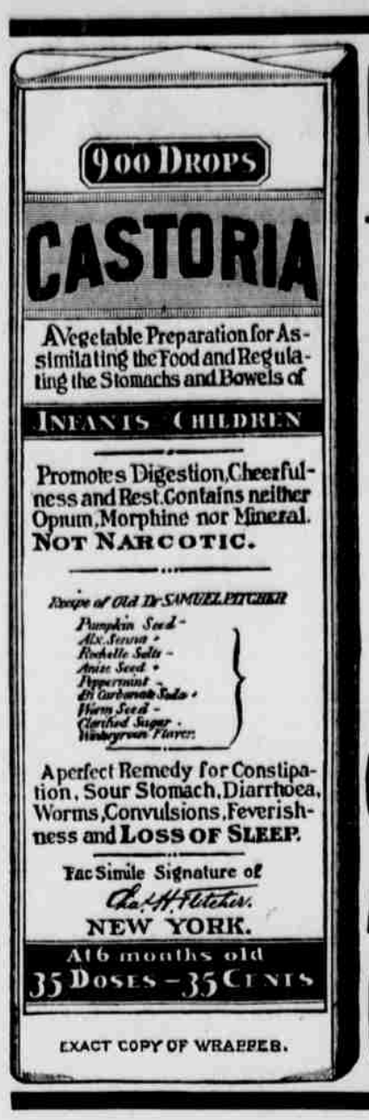
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Rye " "	50
Wheat flour per bbl	4.00
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Potatoes per bushel	.50
Turnips " "	.25
Onions " "	.80
Sweet potatoes per peck	.40
Tallow per lb	.05
Shoulder " "	.09
Side meat " "	.09
Vinegar, per qt	.05
Dried apples per lb	.05
Dried cherries, pitted	.12
Raspberries	.12
Cow Hides per lb	.3½
Steer " " "	.05
Calf Skin	.80
Sheep pelts	.75
Shelled corn per bus	.60
Corn meal, cwt	1.25
Bran, "	1.00
Chop "	1.00
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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Feb. 5, 1900.

The administration programme is receiving some severe jolts in Congress, and its path is getting rockier every day. This week several republican Senators went to see Mr. McKinley and requested him to withdraw the reciprocity treaties now before the Senate, in order to save them from formal rejection, which would not only humiliate Mr. McKinley but would advertise the difference of opinion between him and members of his party in Congress. He has also been told that the only chance the free trade section of the Porto Rico bill has to become a law is by the help of democratic votes, many democrats having expressed themselves in favor of it on general principles, although it is not likely that any concerted action in its favor will be taken by the democrats. The republicans of the House Ways and Means Committee have reported a substitute for the administration bill for free trade with Porto Rico, which provides for a duty of 25 per cent of the present tariff on Porto Rican products. These things show that the much talked about republican harmony is a fake.

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"The threat of treason will not deter us from disclosing the facts as they may come into our possession," was the defi thrown at the imperialists by Senator Pettigrew after he had been ruled out of order when trying to read quotations from a published statement made by Aguinaldo as to his relations with Admiral Dewey, and been called a traitor by Senator Hawley. Senator Lodge read a letter from Admiral Dewey denying what Aguinaldo had said. This denial of the Admiral said of Aguinaldo: "I never treated him as an ally except to make use of him and the soldiers to assist me in my operations against the Spaniards." That "except" is an important word. In making use of Aguinaldo and his soldiers did not Admiral Dewey make an ally of him in spirit, even if there was no actual agreement to that effect?

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Senator Bacon's speech against the imperialistic policy of the administration in the Philippines was full of conservative but unanswerable arguments against imperialism, which he declared meant a standing army of 400,000 men and an annual expense of $100,000,000. He told the imperialists that "the thirst for empire is like the desire for human blood." The following extract gives a good idea of the general tenor of the speech: "The conditions which now exist, and which will undoubtedly exist hereafter if we permanently retain the Philippines, makes it impossible that they can ever become a State; and to hold them as a subject colony makes necessary a revolution in our system of government which should not be aided by anyone who is loyal to the principles upon which that system is founded. It is revolution which, while it denies liberty to other people, endangers the liberty of our own people." In answer to questions from Senator Spooner as to what this Congress could do, Mr. Bacon said it could make the same declaration regarding the Philippines that the last Congress did with reference to Cuba. Senator Bacon was followed by Senator Teller, who was the author of the Cuban resolution adopted by the last Congress, and he took occasion to express his most sincere regret that he had not included in that revolution the people of all the Spanish possessions acquired by the U. S., as well as the Cubans. This was help from an unexpected quarter, as Mr. Teller had been counted as a supporter, albeit a lukewarm one, of the retention of the Philippine.

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The New York Reform Club, of which Hon. John De Witt Warner is president, has stirred up the advocates of the shipsubsidy job by circulating a letter against it containing this sentence: "Lobbyists in the employ of the prospective beneficiaries of the bounty have already carefully 'canvassed' Congress, which means that every 'approachable' Senator and Congressman has, by some sort of a promise or bribe been 'reasoned' with and made to see the benefit of subsidies." There was a regular circus of a time at this week's meeting of the House committee on Merchant Marine, which has charge of the subsidy bill, when Representative Grosvenor, of Ohio, chairman of the committee, read that letter.

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Kentucky democrats in Congress are even more indignant at the action of Gov. Taylor in adjourning the legislature and ordering it to meet Feb. 6, at London, and declaring martial law in Frankfort, than they were at the dastardly attempted assassination of Goebel. They regard it all as a part of the political game that Taylor is playing. Senator-elect Blackburn came very near, to voicing the sentiment of every Kentucky democrat in Congress when he said of the whole business: "The reorganization of the Militia of the State by Bradley, during the latter part of his administration, placing the military affairs of the State upon substantially a republican partisan basis; the importation of armed ruffians from the mountains into Frankfort within the last few days; their indefensible conduct there, coupled with threats of resort to violence, all pointed to the present situation."

The Past Week in Business.

Failures in January were thirty fewer than last year, but in liabilities larger by 34.2 per cent., though smaller than in the same month of any previous yeay. Beginning to compare with the most remarkable year in the history of business, we meet at the outset smaller solvent payments, smaller new orders for the industries, and larger failures in manufacturing, in trading, and in other commercial lines. Manufacturing failures were also slightly larger than in January, 1898, but smaller than in any other year, while trading failures were smaller than in any year except the last. December disasters in speculation had some continuing influence, but the month's aggregate would have been reckoned quite satisfactory if it were not for last year's unprecedented record. Large failures do not explain the increase. The most noteworthy feature is that the small failures, though not more numerous than last year, were larger in manufacturing and trading alike, though in only six of the fourteen manufacturing classes, and nine of the trading. Possibly the adventurous and expansive spirit which culminated in December speculative disasters betrayed some of the weaker manufacturers and traders beyond their depth.

This year starts with much of the year's business already done, and all comparisons will prove misleading if that fact is not taken into account. Last year the certainty of great improvement had come before the year opened, and there was a rush to get in orders before works became crowded and prices advanced. This year the works were already crowded for months ahead in most lines, and prices had already advanced so far that recoil had already commenced in some branches, and was thought probable in others. With the one exception of woolen manufacture, the chief industries have met less new business in January than last year, though deliveries on previous contracts have been larger than a year ago. In work turned out, the past month probably surpasses all others, and rightly considered the fact that new contracts for works already well supplied are smaller than last year, is not of itself discouraging. The great burst of speculation last year swelled January payments through clearing houses far beyond those of this year at New York, and such payments at other cities also averaged per business day a shade larger than this year. But a much greater decrease must have appeared in transactions connected with formation of new companies.

Hunting for Writers.

A Magazine Finds but 80 Weekly Manuscripts Out of 8000.

Eight thousand manuscripts were received by the *Ladies' Home Journal* during the year just closed. Each was given a careful reading, but out of the entire number only eighty were found worthy of publication. The Manuscript Bureau of the *Ladies' Home Journal* is operated at a large expense, but the hope of discovering new writers or some aspirants with undeveloped talents warrants the outlay. It can be seen that the articles secured by such a careful winnowing process brings the cost of each up to and above the remuneration paid our best writers.

These facts bring refutation to the oft-repeated, but none the less erroneous assertion that only well known writers of established literary reputation are able to find a place for their work in the magazines. Exactly the contrary is true. The *Ladies' Home Journal*, through the manuscripts considered, has discovered three or four new writers of excellent merit and great promise, and this "find" its editor regards as fully warranting the large outlay of maintaining an expensive bureau for reading all the manuscripts submitted.

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Mr. Baker operated a steam machine which contained two chisels and revolved 1,200 times a minute. One day early in September he was found unconscious beside his machine. He was bleeding freely from a cut on the nose, a cut on the chin and a cut on the leg.

WONDERFUL OPERATION.
(Diagram Shows the Location of the Chisel in Baker's Head.)

An investigation showed that both chisels had been flung from the machine. One was found in the room, and the other had disappeared. The chisels were 5½ inches long, one inch wide and one-fourth of an inch thick. Baker remained unconscious three days. When he recovered he never thought for a moment that the missing chisel was in his head. He was not confined to his bed, but went about the streets. The cuts on his face had opened small arteries. The wounds did not heal rapidly by home treatment, and Baker placed himself in the care of St. Joseph's hospital. After a week or two at the hospital the wounds healed. The presence of the chisel was still unsuspected.

After he had the chisel in his skull for 11 weeks Baker began to complain of a stiffness of the muscles of the neck and a partial paralysis of the nerves of the face and neck. It was thought that some foreign substance had got into the wound, and it was decided to place Baker under the X-rays.

He was taken to the State Normal school at Baltimore. The fluoroscope revealed the chisel in the man's head. It reached from the bridge of the nose nearly to the spine.

The chisel in its course cut through the face bone, narrowly missed cutting the base of the tongue, the jugular vein, the base of the brain and stopped just short of the spinal cord.

An operation was decided upon and was performed by Prof. Louis McLane Tiffany and Dr. Carey B. Gamble, Jr., and the resident hospital surgeons. It was necessary to open Baker's face from the eyebrows down the nose to the upper lip. The flesh was laid to one side and then forceps were used in withdrawing the chisel.

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Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	16 07
Danville	6 49	2 12	10 19	6 11
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 34	6 23
Rupert	7 08	2 31	10 37	6 27
Bloomsburg	7 13	2 36	10 43	6 32
Espy	7 23	2 42	10 48	6 37
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 42
Briarcreek	7 38	2 55	.....	16 48
Berwick	7 45	3 01	11 05	6 55
Beach Haven	7 53	3 07	....	7 01
Hick's Ferry	8 04	3 13	..	7 05
Shickshinny	8 15	3 24	11 29	7 16
Hunlock's	8 27	3 34	..	7 28
Nanticoke	8 35	3 42	11 43	7 36
Avondale	8 49	3 46	....	....
Plymouth	8 45	3 51	11 51	7 45
Plymouth Junction	8 50	3 55	....	....
Kingston	8 57	4 02	11 59	7 56
Bennett	9 00	4 06	.....	8 00
Forty Fort	9 03	4 10	.....	....
Wyoming	9 08	4 16	12 08	8 11
West Pittston	9 12	4 21	.....	8 16
Susquehanna Ave	9 16	4 24	12 14	8 19
Pittston	9 19	4 29	12 17	8 24
Duryea	9 23	4 34	.....	8 30
Lackawanna	9 26	4 37	.....	8 33
Taylor	9 33	4 45	.....	8 41
Bellevue	9 38	4 50	.....	....
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 35	8 50
	A.M	P.M.	P.M.	P.M

STATIONS.	WEST. A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
SCRANTON	6 30	10 05	1 55	6 10
Bellevue	6 34	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 38	10 15	2 03	6 20
Lackawanna	6 45	10 23	2 10	6 28
Duryea	6 48	10 26	2 13	6 32
Pittston	6 52	10 31	2 17	6 36
Susquehanna Ave	6 55	10 35	2 20	6 41
West Pittston	6 58	10 39	2 24	6 44
Wyoming	7 03	10 44	2 29	6 49
Forty Fort	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bennett	7 09	10 52	2 36	7 00
Kingston	7 15	10 56	2 43	7 06
Plymouth Junction	7 19	....	2 47	....
Plymouth	7 24	11 05	2 52	7 13
Avondale	7 28	.....	2 57	.....
Nanticoke	7 33	11 13	3 02	7 20
Hunlock's	7 39	11 19	3 10	7 28
Shickshinny	7 50	11 30	3 24	7 40
Hick's Ferry	8 04	f11 43	3 35	f7 55
Beach Haven	8 11	11 48	3 42	8 02
Berwick	8 16	11 54	3 49	8 08
Briarcreek	8 22	.....	f4 58	8 15
Lime Ridge	8 30	f12 09	4 04	f8 28
Espy	8 37	12 15	4 11	8 30
Bloomsburg	8 44	12 22	4 17	8 37
Rupert	8 50	12 27	4 23	8 43
Danville	9 10	12 32	4 29	8 48
Catawissa	8 55	12 47	4 44	9 04
Chulasky	.....	.....	f4 49	.....
Cameron	9 20	12 57	4 54	9 16
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 35	1 10	5 08	9 30
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.

‡ Runs daily. f Flag station.

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SOUTH. ARRIVE	a m	a m.	p m	p.m.
	7 10	12.06	6.25	2.15
	7.08	12.00	6.16	2.10
	7.03	11.57	6.14	2.08
	6.53	11 47	6.02	1 50
	6.50	11.43	5.59	1.45
	6.40	11.33	5.49	1.30
	6.29	11.2	5.38	1.00
	6.25	11.19	5.34	12.53
	6.18	11.12	5.27	12.45
	6.08	11.05	5 17	12.3
	6 04	11 00	5.12	12.10
	6.00	10 58	5.10	12.08
	5.53	10.52	5.03	11.53
	5-44	10.43	4.53	11.45
	5.40	10.40	4.50	11.30
LEAVE	m	a m	p m	p m

B. & S. R. R.	NORTH LEAVE			
STATIONS.	a m	p m	p m	a m
Bloomsburg	8.47	2 40	6.35	6.10
" P. & E.	8.49	2.42	6.37	
" Main st.	8.52	2.45	6.40	
Paper Mill	9.01	2.54	6 51	6.37
Light St.	9.05	2.59	5.55	6.50
Orangeville	9.15	3.10	7.04	7.10
Forks	9.23	3.20	7.14	7.35
Zaner's	9.27	3.24	7.18	7.45
Stillwater	9.33	3.30	7.23	8.00
Benton	9.43	3.40	7.33	8.30
Edson's	9.47	3.44	7.37	8.40
Cole's Crk.	9.50	3.47	7.41	8.46
Laubach	9.58	3.57	7.51	9.00
Central	10.10	4.07	8.01	9 25
Jam. City	10.14	4.10	8.05	9.35
ARRIVE	a m	p m	p m	a m

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Scranton (D & H) lv	6 45	9 08	12 1	4 27
Pittston " "	7 08	10 10	1 24	4 54
Wilkesbarre lv	7 30	$10 55	1 05	5 00
Plym'th Ferry "	7 38	11 02	1 13	5 08
Nanticoke "	7 46	11 10	3 23	6 18
Mocanaqua "	8 04	11 32	3 43	6 25
Wapwallopen "	8 13	11 42	3 53	6 41
Nescopeck ar	8.24	11 52	4 05	7 00
	A. M.		P. M.	P. M
Pottsville lv	6 00		12 30	4
Hazleton "	7 08		2 00	5 50
Tomhicken "	7 25		2 18	6 10
Fern Glen "	7 32		2 27	6 17
Rock Glen "	7 38		2 34	6 2
Nescopeck ar	8 03		3 00	6 4
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck lv	8 24	$11 52	4 05	7 01
Creasy "	8 33	12 02	4 14	7 0
Espy Ferry "	8 43	12 10	4 22	7 30
E. Bloomsburg "	8 47	12 14	4 27	7 25
		P. M.		
Catawissa ar	8 55	12 21	4 34	7 32
Catawissa lv	8 55	12 23	4 34	7 32
S. Danville "	9 14	12 38	4 53	7 51
Sunbury "	9 35	1 00	5 15	8 15
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury lv	9 42	1 10	5 45	9 25
Lewisburg ar	10 18	1 45	6 18	.....
Milton "	10 08	1 39	6 14	9 50
Williamsport "	11 00	2 30	7 10	10 40
Lock Haven "	11 59	3 40	8 07	.....
Erie "	A. M.	4 40	9 00	.....
Buffalo "	.....	8 25	.....	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Lock Haven lv	12 10	$3 45	.....	.....
Bellefonte ar	1 05	4 44	.....	.....
Tyrone "	2 25	6 00	.....	.....
Philipsburg "	4 23	8 26	.....	.....
Clearfield "	5 07	9 09	.....	.....
Pittsburg "	6 55	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury lv	9 50	1 55	5 25	8 31
Harrisburg ar	11 30	3 15	6 55	10 10
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Philadelphia ar	3 17	6 3	10 2	4 25
Baltimore "	3 11	6 0	9 4	2 30
Washington "	4 10	7 15	10 5	4 05
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury lv	9 57	2 13	.....	.....
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	11 40	3 50	.....	.....
Pittsburg "	6 55	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg lv	11 45	3 45	7 20	10 20
Pittsburg ar	6 55	11 30	2 00	5 30

‡ Weekdays. Daily. f Flag station.

	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.
Pittsburg lv	7 10	8 30	2 50	8 00
Harrisburg ar	1 55	3 49	9	3 10
		A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Pittsburg lv	.....	.....	.....	8 00
				P. M.
Lewistown Jc. "	.....	7 30	3 43	3 40
Sunbury ar	.....	9 20	5 05	5 30
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.
Washington lv	10 40	.....	7 55	10 50
Baltimore "	11 55	4 55	8 55	12 00
Philadelphia "	11 20	4 30	8 40	12 25
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg lv	3 35	7 55	11 40	4 00
Sunbury ar	5 05	9 36	1 10	5 40
	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
Pittsburg lv	12 45	.....	2 50	8 00
Clearfield "	4 09	.....	.....	9 31
Philipsburg "	4 56	.....	.....	10 12
Tyrone "	7 15	.....	8 10	12 30
Bellefonte "	8 31	.....	9 32	1 42
Lock Haven ar	9 30	.....	10 30	2 48
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Erie lv	4 30	.....	.....	.....
Kane "	7 55	.....	1 6 00	.....
Renovo "	11 10	6 40	10 30	.....
Lock Haven "	12 00	7 33	11 25	3 00
	A. M.		P. M.	
Williamsport lv	1 05	8 30	12 40	4 00
Milton "	1 56	9 19	1 27	4 52
Lewisburg "	.....	9 05	1 15	4 47
Sunbury ar	2 27	9 46	1 55	5 20
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury lv	6 55	9 55	2 00	5 48
S. Danville "	7 18	10 17	2 21	6 09
Catawissa "	7 36	10 35	2 37	6 27
E. Bloomsburg "	7 42	10 43	2 43	6 32
Espy Ferry "	7 46	10 47		6 36
Creasy "	7 56	10 56	2 55	6 46
Nescopeck ar	8 06	11 06	3 05	6 55
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck lv	7 38	11 55	4 10	7 05
Catawissa "	8 26	12 21	4 26	7 31
Rock Glen "	8 33	12 27	4 42	7 37
Fern Glen "	8 42	12 35	4 51	7 45
Tomhicken "	9 02	12 55	5 10	8 05
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Mocanaqua "	8 28	11 32	3 25	7 21
Nanticoke "	8 48	11 54	3 46	7 42
		P. M.		
Plym'th Ferry "	8 57	12 02		7 52
Wilkesbarre "	9 05	12 10	4 05	8 00
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Pittston (D & H) ar	9 39	12 49	4 52	8 36
Scranton " "	10 08	1 18	5 20	9 05

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(South Side)
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of Beaver Twp.

FOR SHERIFF,
DANIEL KNORR,
of Locust Twp.

The final exit of Mr. Roberts relieves the public print of a great deal of warmed over humor.

No wonder civilization fails to catch on in Abyssinia. Smoking has been prohibited in that celestial spot since 1642.

Florida is making an attempt to cultivate sponges. The brand that grows in these parts seems to thrive without cultivation.

It is an open question whether DeCastellane would have been so profuse by cable if his brother-in-law had not owned a frank.

Paris has decreed that next year's bonnets shall be miniature flower gardens. This should give the bird crank a much needed rest.

England really does not know yet what a real war horror is. Wait till the monthly magazines tune up and the books start to come out.

A big demand for American wind-mills comes from the Holy Land just when everybody was wondering what should be done with Billy Mason.

Russel Sage gets off some more cornfed philosophy. He advises poor young men not to hesitate about marrying heiresses, but nobody has ever noticed much hesitation in that line.

The preachers and undertakers of McKeesport, Pa., are trying to reform funerals. Most men are willing to contribute liberally to any scheme that will do away with the necessity of having funerals.

London "War Experts."

The war between Briton and Boer has created a new and apparently profitable profession in London, where every newspaper has a "war expert" whose oracles are read with breathless reverence, and cabled to remote corners of the earth at enormous expense. Just how the war expert has obtained knowledge and authority sufficient to bring the British public to his feet is not apparent, but his principal duty seems to be to read the meagre dispatches the wrong way, surmise a great deal, and then stick his interpretations and surmises together by the wrong ends, thus evolving a system of warfare no sane man ever dared dream of. Usually he overflows with caustic criticism, he talks big about "incompetency" and has a mighty poor opinion of the brave men at the front who are doing the fighting and patiently taking all the hard knocks. He always knows a better plan than the one in operation, and his hindsight is highly developed.

During our recent turnup with the Don, we had stategy boards organized and doing a thrilling business at corner groceries in every enterprising villiage in the the land. But the work of these industrious debators was purely a labor of love, their ample product was strictly for home consumption and nobody had to pay a cent for enlightenment on the art of war.

These London chaps are too sharp to waste their wierd productions on the desert air. By some dark magic they have induced hard-headed British editors to pay fat salaries for a choice lot of trash. The newspaper readers have been gulled into thinking that his bold tone betokens knowledge, and the "war expert" waxes ponderous and important.

It is rather hard to understand what excuse a war expert has for staying in London and shedding ink at the present stage of the game. There seems to be a rather brisk demand for such people in South Africa just now.

The Horse to the Rescue.

Paris is the headquarters for freak medical discoveries, and every little while there the doctors have to announce a wonder just to keep themselves in trim. The latest and wierdest of the lot is a special brand of serum calculated to paralyze the Demon Drink.

An able bodied horse is permitted to take of the flowing bowl until he reaches the point where humming birds begin to look like eagles. His veins are then tapped and the resulting serum is administered hypodermically to the victim of the morning cocktail and the evening nightcap. It is confidently announced that the patient thus treated will tremble at the mere sight of an imbibitorium, and cease from piloting schooners across the bar.

The horse world should welcome this innovation with enthusiastic resolutions of gratitude. For some years the patient martyr to chronic sore throat in order that victims of dyphtheria might have a chance to combat that dread disease, now he has an opportunity to embark on one long sweet jag, and with such a privilege as this, can it be truthfully stated that he is below man?

The man behind the gun is the strongest power in Kentucky politics just now.

JERSEYTOWN NEWS.

The Republicans and dissatisfied Democrats held their caucus last Wednesday evening and nominated the following ticket: For Supervisors, Wm. Howel and Ade Parker, for School Directors, C. A. Kreamer and J. A. Essick, Poor overseers, C. M. Johnston and W. H. Leighow, Inspector, Howard Greenly, Tax Collector, C. F. Crawford.

George F. Kreamer and family, of Bloomsburg, visited friends at this place on Sunday last.

George S. Lee and wife drove over to the County Seat on Saturday last, where the latter is visiting, at her daughter's for a week.

Wilbur C. Kreamer intends going in the lumber business in the near future, as he is about to purchase a fine span of mules.

Messrs. Reichard and Kreamer are around among the farmers baling hay.

H. I. Gingles and family paid Bloomsburg friends a visit on Sunday last.

Franklin Phillips of Lairdsville, spent Sunday with Geo. Nephew.

E. F. Johnston and family of Harrisburg, Pa., are visiting friends at this place.

Robert Butler and wife drove over to Limestoneville on Sunday last.

Buchanan it is Believed has Gone West.

The friends of Alex. Buchanan, who mysteriously disappeared from his home, at Centralia more than a week since, now think that he has gone west. They no longer believe that he has been murdered, and his body thrown into a mine breach somewhere in the wilds of the Shamokin mining district. They have exhausted every effort to find trace of him there, and can not even find that he was in that district on Saturday, in fact, the only trace that they have of him is that he bought a ticket at Mt. Carmel for Shamokin on Saturday morning. He may not have gone any further than Alaska, and there taken a train on the P. & R. for some point in the west. This his people now believe that he has done, and they have decided to let the future determine whether they are not right.

Chaplin Shields Dismissed.

The Erratic Minister Discharged From the United States Service.

A Washington special says: Post Chaplain David H. Shields, who was appointed from Altoona, Pa., has been dismissed from the army of the United States, to take effect on the 1st proximo, and Rev. Edmund T. Esterbrook, of New York, has been selected for appointment to the vacancy. The action in the case of Chaplain Shields was the result of court-martial proceedings. He was tried at San Francisco for conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, in consequence of the alleged use of intoxicating liquors, and was convicted and sentenced to be dismissed. The case came before the president in the course of procedure and he approved the sentence Thursday, directing it to take effect on the 1st proximo.

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THE CANAL TREATY

Considered by Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Opposition Expressed to the Neutrality Clause.

State Department Confident Hay-Pauncefote Convention Will Be Approved.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The senate committee on foreign relations met to consider the Nicaragua canal treaty. The discussion was animated. While some opposition was manifested, it was not of such a character as to indicate the defeat of the treaty, but that it will be amended there seems to be little doubt.

One of the amendments proposed is that the whole of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty shall be abrogated. It is said by members of the committee favoring this change that there is no need of keeping alive any portion of the old treaty.

Another change suggested is in regard to the protection of the canal. The treaty declares there shall be no fortifications, and it is said that this will prevent the United States from erecting batteries, which are by some considered absolutely necessary in view of the insurrections that occur from time to time in South American countries. It is possible that this language will be modified so that such protection as the United States deems necessary may be afforded along the route of the canal.

Nearly the entire time of the committee was consumed in listening to an elaborate statement from Senator Morgan, who is thoroughly familiar with the subject of the Nicaragua canal proposition and all treaties affecting it. There was little or no expression of opinion from other senators, save that it was a very important subject and would need careful consideration.

It is learned that the text of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was the work of the state department. The British government accepted the document just as it was drawn, so the responsibility for whatever is contained in the treaty and the form in which it is expressed is chargeable entirely to the department. Department officials are surprised at the amount of criticism that has been directed against the treaty, but feel confident that it will be consummated, provided it is not amended, especially as to the fortification clause. It is insisted by the officials that an amendment on that point would completely defeat the treaty, and it is intimated that the objection will be twofold—first from the British government and second from the president himself. The president is said to regard the neutralization scheme as completely obviating the necessity for any fortifications for the canal, for, by the terms of that arrangement, every one of the maritime powers will pledge itself to use its army and navy, if need be, to preserve the absolute neutrality of the canal, and fortifications would be unnecessary.

Attention has been called to the statement that no matter what differences of opinion may have existed up to this time as to the living force of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, all doubt upon that point has been dissipated by the signature of the Hay-Pauncefote convention. By that act the executive branch of the United States government formally recognized the existence of a Clayton-Bulwer treaty. It is said to make no difference whether or not the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is ratified by the senate, the executive branch of the government, to which alone foreign governments may look, has gone on record.

REFORMS IN CUBA.

Governor Wood Makes Suggestions to the Cabinet.

HAVANA, Feb. 7.—General Wood held a cabinet meeting yesterday which lasted three hours behind closed doors. Senor Villalon, secretary of public works, explained the reason of his order regarding the contract between the Pan-American Express company and the United railway. This contract he denounced as "an unholy violation of the people's rights." He said that a man recently took a train at Cienfuegos for Havana, having with him a typewriting machine. The latter he was compelled to give over to an employee of the railroad, who insisted on expressing it. In another instance a woman who attempted to board a train with a couple of chickens was similarly treated. Senor Villalon cited numerous other cases of a like nature.

General Wood said the only question was whether the present law gave him power to act. The entire matter will be immediately referred to Washington for a final opinion.

The cabinet decided to establish large modern hospitals at various points in the island, and an expert will be brought from the United States to advise in the selection of sites and the construction of buildings.

An agricultural school will be established at Puerto Principe. A commission is to be named to investigate the charitable institutions and properties of the island, which Senor Varona, secretary of finance, estimates to be worth $15,000,000.

For the first time in months Havana is clear of yellow fever. No case has been officially reported for some days.

Five thousand men are on strike in the cigar factories of the city. Herr Bock says the question is whether the unions have a right to dictate to the employers as to whom they shall employ and whom they shall not employ. The unions want the factory owners to discharge the Spaniards. Herr Bock has received many letters from the men asking him to try to break up the unions, as their influence is tyrannous. He believes the strike will be over by the end of the week.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New York—Belgium, Andrew Brush. Pennsylvania—Duck Valley, C. N. Schriever; Chesterville, W. T. Dance; Knousetown, J. S. Barner; Lizette, R. S. Clewell. Vermont—Brownington, W. C. Scofield.

To Pay Depositors In Full.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.—The depositors of the Broadway National bank, which closed several weeks ago, will receive the full amount of their deposits, with interest, today.

STAR CLOTHING HOUSE.

Mid-Winter Sale of Clothing!

PREVIOUS TO STOCK TAKING.

During this month we will offer

BIG BARGAINS IN WINTER CLOTHING!

Must be sold to make room for spring goods.

COME EARLY for BARGAINS

AT TOWNSEND'S

STAR CLOTHING HOUSE.

TAFT FOR PRESIDENT

McKinley Names Head of the Philippine Commission.

MAY BE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

Judgeship of the United States Circuit Court Resigned to Accept Appointment—Other Probable Members.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—William H. Taft of Cincinnati, judge of the United States circuit court, has resigned to be appointed chairman of the commission that will be sent to the Philippines to establish civil government.

The appointment of Judge Taft marks the first selection for the new Philippine commission. There will be five members on the commission, and all of them will be civilians. Mr. Schurman, president of the existing commission, has declined for business reasons to remain on the commission, so Judge Taft will be president in his place. Mr. Denby and Professor Worcester have been invited to accept reappointments, but so far have not signified their intentions. Admiral Dewey will not go back to Manila, and General Otis will give way, like him, to a civilian. Secretary Root said that no instructions had been framed for the new commission as yet, but it would be easy to perceive from the sentiments set out in the president's message what these instructions would be.

Judge Taft called at the war department, in company with Judge Day, late secretary of state, and had a long talk with Secretary Root as to the plans for the commission. As some surprise has been caused by the willingness of Judge Taft to surrender a life position of the dignity and emolument of United States circuit judge to join the commission it may be said that the prevalent impression is that as soon as the commission shall have succeeded in replacing the existing military government in the Philippines with stable civil governments Judge Taft will be named as the first civil governor general of the archipelago. It is not thought that this change will take place at once, but the commission is expected to move steadily toward that object and to set up local civil governments as fast as the Filipinos shall demonstrate their worthiness.

William H. Taft is a son of the late Judge Alphonso Taft, who was attorney general under Grant, and a brother of ex-Congressman Charles P. Taft, proprietor of The Times-Star. He was born in Cincinnati in 1857. He graduated at Yale in 1878 and at the Cincinnati Law school in 1880. He has been prosecuting attorney, internal revenue collector, county solicitor, superior judge in the state courts, solicitor general of the United States and judge of the United States court of appeals. In 1886 he married Helen H. Herron, daughter of former United States District Attorney John W. Herron of this city.

KILLED BY FILIPINOS.

American Supply Train Captured and Part of Escort Slain.

MANILA, Feb. 7.—The insurgents Monday captured a supply train of nine bull carts between Orani and Dinalupijan, killing a corporal and five privates of Company G, Thirty-second infantry. The escort consisted of a sergeant and 11 mounted men. The insurgents weakened the supports of a bridge over a creek, and the first cart went into the stream. While the escort was bunched trying to haul the cart out of the water the insurgents fired a volley from the bushes, killing the six Americans and also two native drivers.

The insurgents have been driven out of Legaspi, on Albay bay, province of Albay.

The rebels of Tayabas province were conveying some 300 Spanish prisoners to Libmanan, and, on arriving there, the prisoners, exhausted and starved, revolted and dispersed their guards with stones and clubs. They also captured a few rifles and barricaded themselves at Libmanan, where they are awaiting the arrival of American troops.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS FOR District Office Managers in this State to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly $600, payable weekly. Desirable employment with unusual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Lark, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago. 12-21.16t

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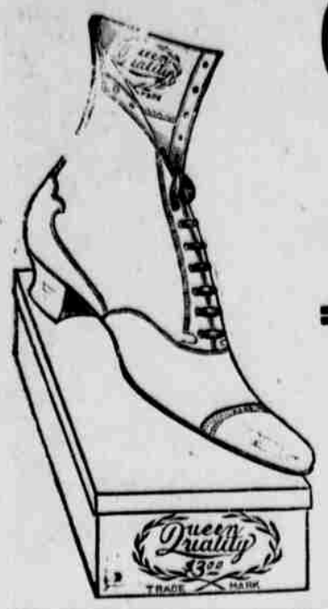

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THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1900.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa., as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

Wanted!

We want 500 new subscribers to the COLUMBIAN this spring and as a special inducement will include the *Farm Journal* from now until Dec., 1904, *free*.

Or the New York Thrice a week *World* for three months *free*.

Or the COLUMBIAN and *World* one year for $1.50. tf

Pay Up and Get Both Papers at Price of one.

We want to get 500 new subscribers to our paper, and are going to do it if we can; we therefore continue our arrangement with the Farm Journal by which we can send THE COLUMBIAN *one year and the Farm Journal 5 years, both for $1. And we make the same offer to all old subscribers who will pay all arrearages and one year in advance.*

You know what our paper is, and the *Farm Journal* is a gem—practical, progressive—a clean, honest, useful paper—full of gumption, full of sunshine, with an immense circulation among the best people everywhere. YOU OUGHT TO TAKE IT.

SALES.

FEB. 13, 1900.—A. P. Girton will sell valuable personal property, on the premises, near the Centre school house, in Greenwood Twp. 1 bay mare, colt, two good cows, heifer, bull, lot of shoats, big wagon, road wagon, harvester, mower, hay rake, cultivator, heavy and light harness and numerable other articles. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a. m.

FEB. 21, 1900.—E. O. Heller and Mrs. Oliver Heller, Admrs., will sell, at public sale, a property in Hemlock township. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a. m.

"Tony the Convict."

Leases and notices to quit, for sale at this office. tf.

Wall paper, at popular prices, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The Bloomsburg Car Company has closed several large contracts lately.

Bibles, both large and small, and prices low, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

W. L. Demaree has declined to be a candidate for re-election to the Town Council. The vacancy occasioned thereby has been filled by the nomination of Dr. J S. John.

Lamps, of all descriptions—stand lamps, bracket lamps, hanging lamps, and all lamp fixtures—at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Have you a Cold?

We will CURE IT or REFUND YOUR MONEY.

HOW?

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FOR 25 CENTS,

And if you are not satisfied, come and get your money back. That is fair, is it not?

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W. S. Rishton, Ph. G.,
Ent Building. Pharmacist
Telephone.

For pure drugs and all kinds of patent medicines go to Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The Winona Fire Company invites the patronage of all their friends to-night at the Opera House.

Ladies' and gent's pocket books—good styles and good quality—at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Howard C. Furman and his newly wedded wife, nee Miss Pursel, arrived in town on Thursday from Philadelphia, for a visit with relatives.

Help the fire laddies by buying a ticket for "Tony the Convict" at the Opera House, Feb. 8 and 9. Prices 25 and 35cts.

The nicest and most complete line of perfumes, either in bottles or in bulk, in Bloomsburg, is kept at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The Millville Worsted Mill has again been leased by the same parties who have so successfully conducted it during the past three years.

W. S. Bryfogle is prepared to furnish fine carnations and roses in great variety at reasonable rates. Persons wanting flowers should visit his green houses, or order by phone.

A letter, announcing the death of his father, J. F. Conner, at Holton, Kansas, was received by J. L. Conner, of Orangeville, last week. He was born in Centre township, this county, in 1830.

Orangeville was incorporated into a borough on Monday. Those who opposed the agitators at the beginning evidently decided to fall in line. The proceedings went through without any opposition whatever.

The Winona boys have risked their health, and life, to save your buildings when threatened by the destroying element. Don't you think they are worthy of your patronage, at the Opera House tonight?

Berwick has a new weekly, called the *Berwick Enterprise* It is edited and published by C. A. Raseley. The sheet, though small in size, carries a nice lot of crisp local news. The proprietor has our best wishes for success.

A rusty nail forced through an ear is the nature of an accident which befell eleven year old Mayberry Hughes while playing with his school mates, on High School grounds, Monday morning. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hughes of East Third Street.

"The *Farm Journal* is all sunshine," writes J. H. Hale, the great Connecticut fruit man, and THE COLUMBIAN thinks so too. Get it for the remainder of 1900 and all of 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904 by paying up your subscription to this paper; both papers at the price of ours only.

Miss Ella Gates, who died last Friday at Ontario, N. Y., had two perfectly developed hearts. The knife revealed a small but perfectly formed heart an inch and a half higher in the chest than the organ usually is found. When it was removed the surgeons were amazed to find another heart just below and back of the first.

The Philologian Literary Society of the State Normal gave an amusing entertainment, in the shape of a mock trial, in the Auditorium Saturday evening. The offender was charged with the larceny of two chickens. Both sides were ably presented, and the situations during the progress of the trial were ludicrous in the extreme. The verdict of the jury was guilty.

Albums—in leather, plush and celluloid—at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

When you want to buy window curtains go to Mercer's Drug and Book Store. He carries a nice line.

While out scouring the woods in quest of game, Clinton Sones, of Jackson township, came in contact with, and administered a quietus to a large wild cat. Mr. Sones, naturally, feels very proud, because the killing of this kind of an animal, in this section, is a rare occurrence.

The Berwick *Enterprise* says: "The American Car & Foundry Company have just finished for the D. & H. Railroad a contract of eight hundred hopper-bottom cars with a capacity of 80,000 lbs. and are just entering upon another contract of 1000 box cars for the same road."

Save up your money, boys, for we are going to show you the nicest and best line of bicycles this spring that you ever looked at. It will only be about sixty days until you will want one, and then you must not fail to call at Mercer's Drug and Book Store and see the different makes.

Machinery is now being placed in Danville's latest industry—the W. J. Harrison knitting mills—and the plant will be in operation in the very near future. It will give employment to about twenty hands to start with, and probably, as many more, when a market for the product is established.

Rumors of the long expected electric railway are again being heard. It begins to look now as if the road is a sure thing. A gang of engineers is now at work between Bloomsburg and Danville, surveying the line, which will extend to Berwick. This is good news. It can't come too soon.

Charles H. Reice on Monday received a letter from his son, Chris., who is on his way home. He has fallen a victim to chronic dysentery, and is in a very critical condition. Enclosed in the letter is a note from the captain of the medical corps, which conveys the sad intelligence that it is extremely doubtful if Christian reaches home alive.

Friday morning's Philadelphia *Inquirer* contained the following paragraph of cheering information: "The knitting mill, employing 160 hands, and operated by J. & G. Gould, of South Bethlehem, was shut down yesterday and the machinery will be removed to Bloomsburg." We have investigated and made an effort to get some more information about it, but so far, have been unsuccessful.

It took a ribbon of paper four feet wide and 225 miles long—further than from Philadelphia to Boston—to print the January *Farm Journal*. You should have the *Farm Journal*. It fairly bristles with good things. We have a clubbing arrangement by which we will send it for nearly five years, the remainder of 1900, and all of 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904 to every one who pays up promptly for THE COLUMBIAN; both papers for the price of one.

Mrs. Margaret Cortelyon Fritz, wife of Sanford C. Doland, passed away at her home, 45 Pennington St. Newark, N. J. on Sunday afternoon Feb 4, after a lingering illness. Mrs. Doland was a daughter of the late William Fritz of Orangeville. She was born in that village, and is well known in that section of Columbia Co. She leaves a husband and three step-daughters, also a brother, James M. Fritz of Nanticoke, and a sister Mrs. George C. Towle, of Metuchen, N. J.

A wreck, in which one man was slightly injured, and two engines and several cars totally demolished occurred on the Reading road near Mainville Sunday morning. The accident, it apppears, was the result of misconstrued train orders. One conductor had orders to pass at Mainville, while the other had instructions to pass at another point on the road. The engineer on the south bound train, after rounding the curve above Mainville observed the other train, but too late to avert the collision.

What seemed to be a secret among some of the ladies of Espy for the past few days, developed Friday evening in the form of a surprise party, at the home of Mrs. Alice Kyler. The following persons were present: Mrs. Elizabeth Reppert, Maria Heckman, Delilah Trump, Hester Bomboy, Ella Greenwalt, Hannah Tremly, W. Humel, S. S. Mumey, W. Savage, I. Heckman, S. Schuman, F. Humel, L. Edgar, J. Humel, M. Schuman, E. Fowler, W. Snyder, and Misses Anna McKamey, Addie Hess, Martha Abbott, Amelia Thomas, Martha Lehman and Dartha Edgar. After a good supper and an enjoyable time, the ladies returned to their homes and left Mrs. Kyler to think over what had happened.

PURELY PERSONAL

Lawrence Tooley was a visitor in Danville on Sunday.

Miss Claire Whitmoyer spent last Thursday with friends at Danville.

H. C. Jones, a compositor on the Danville "Morning News," spent Sunday in town.

A. H. Bloom, wife and family, were the guests of friends in Danville over Sunday.

Miss Vida Miller entertained her lady friends at her home last Tuesday afternoon.

A progressive euchre party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Elwell last evening.

Mr and Mrs. W. S. Rishton will entertain a company of ladies and gentlemen this evening.

John G. McHenry of Benton was among the many visitors to the county seat on Saturday.

Mrs. W. S. Rishton gave a progressive euchre party to about fifty ladies last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Dr. Reber will hold a reception for her daughter, Mrs. Carlton Caswell, tomorrow afternoon.

Rev. F. L. Heller, of Dryden, N. Y., is a guest this week at the home of his son-in-law, Prof. G. E. Wilbur.

L. S. Clewell, of Benton gave our sanctum a pleasant call on Tuesday. He has been a COLUMBIAN reader for many years.

H. D. Knorr, who, up to a few weeks ago was a clerk for the Bloomsburg Store Co., has accepted a similar position at Nanticoke.

John A. Kline, of Benton township, one of our prompt paying subscribers, was an early caller this morning. He served as a juryman this week.

Miss Mintie Lee, of Bloomsburg, accompanied by Miss Margaret Kitchen, spent Sunday at the former's home, at this place. —"Millville Tablet."

Matthew McReynolds expects to leave tomorrow for Hazleton, where he has accepted a position with the engineer corps of the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Congressman Rufus K. Polk was in town on Saturday. He has lost none of his popularity, and his many friends are always pleased to meet him.

Arthur Fortune and E. Houseknecht, of Berwick, tpent Sunkay in town with the former's parents. Mr. Fortune is filling a responsible position in the above mentioned town.

Mrs. J. S. Woods returned home from Mt. Carmel on Wednesday. Her brother, John Lazarus, who was thrown from a wagon in a runaway, is rapidly recovering from his injuries.

Claude, son of J. K. Bittenbender, and Warren, son of F. N. Turner, two promising youths, left yesterday for Philadelphia to take the examination for admission to the schoolship in the United States Navy.

W. J. Barry, who was one of the engineers who surveyed the line for the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad in 1894 and 1895, was in town Tuesday evening. Mr Barry is now proprietor of the North Mountain House at Ganoga Lake.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Diaries for 1900 at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Laubach wish to express their thanks to their neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted them in their recent bereavement, the death of their daughter, Mrs. Charles W. Kitzmiller.

Daniel Knorr of Locust township, announces his name as a candidate for Sheriff in this issue. He was a candidate nine years ago, and made a good run, but was defeated for want of six more delegates. He took defeat gracefully, and claims that he has always stood by the ticket. Under the rule it belongs to the south side, as Sheriffs McHenry and Black are both north side men.

Lyman H. Howe's high class moving picture exhibition was witnessed by a large audience at the Opera House Thursday evening. The seating capacity was inadequate to accomodate the throng and many were compelled to stand. This entertainment appears to have great drawing powers. Mr. Howe has exhibited here four times now, and the house has been what we might termpacked each and every time. A great many new pictures were shown, chief among which were scenes of the Boer War. These pictures proved that a pro-Boer feeling pervaded the audience, as the picture of President Kruger was cheered, while that of Queen Victoria was greeted with half-subdued hisses.

The entertainment netted the Y. P. S. C. E., of the Lutheran Church under whose auspicies it was given, upwards of $60.

For the Benefit of the Public Library.

An illustrated lecture on "The Procession of Flowers," will be given by Miss Mira Lloyd Dock, in the Opera House on Tuesday evening, February 20th, under the auspices of the Wednesday Club of Bloomsburg. Tickets, 50, 35 and 25c.

"A most unique and attractive entertainment delighted a large audience last night in Miss Mira Lloyd Dock's 'Procession of Flowers.' In this lecture Miss Dock, whose success in popularizing nature study has been remarkable, introduces to her audience the wild flowers and their peculiarities, with the help of many beautifully colored lantern slides. The lecture is extremely interesting and uplifting. Miss Dock's enthusiasm is contagious, and we are sure that everyone who heard the lecture will be aided in acquiring a new capacity for enjoyment for every day in the year." —*Harrisburg Telegraph.*

'CLARKS'.

We call attention to our line of curtains, in all grades. These goods, we think, you will find are below the ruling prices. Special attention is called to the following lots at $1.35, $1.75, $2.00, $2.47, $3.47, $4.86, $5.50. Also a lot of odd pairs, one and two of a kind, to close. Also

Lace Curtains.
In a good assortment—from $2.85 to $8.00 the pair.

Corsets.
We offer a line of corsets in all the leading makes. The famous R. & C., in short and long waist, the American Lady, short and long waist. Our W. H. Corset, short waist, at 50c. Model Form Corsets at $1.00. Ferris Waists for ladies and misses, underwaists for children.

Coats and Suits.
The best values in these goods we have offered. $12.00 coats $6.00, others equally as low. It will pay you to buy now. Suits at cut prices. Furs at cut prices.

Dress Goods.
We are offering dress goods at the old prices yet. Come and see them—in black and colors. Black crepons at special prices. See our $1.00 black cheviot. Our 95c. Homespuns are worth today $1.25 a yard.

Dress Linings.
A full line of selicias, percalines, duck canvass, mercerized Italian cloths, oriental silks, fancy skirt linings, Italian cloths, French muslins, &c.

Soaps and Perfumes.
A full line of toilet soaps of all kinds. Buttermilk, 19c. a box of 3 cakes, tar soap, 5c., glycerine soap, 5c., heliotrope soap, 15c. a box of 3 cakes. Colgate's and Cotton's best perfumes in all odors, Florida water, toilet waters, bay rum, dental powder. Cutaline, 10c., vaseline, 5 and 10c., cold cream, 10c. Try our toilet waters at 25c. a bottle. Vaseline shoe paste, 5c.

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Get the correct shape for your particular type of feet.

SEE THAT THIS Queen Quality 3.00 TRADE MARK IS BRANDED ON EVERY SHOE.

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But our superior mantel clocks register the time as correctly as a sun dial. We have them in black enamel, iron, walnut and oak cases, with rich and handsome dials, and gold trimmings. Movements with cathedral gong or wire bell half hour stroke. $2.50 up.

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The cheapest place in town to buy your

CHRISTMAS CANDIES

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MIXTURES OF ALL KINDS.

Ureka Mixture, 7c. lb., or 4 lbs. 25c.
French Mixture, 15c. lb., or 2 lbs. 25c.
Broken Candy, 10c. lb.
Fine Chocolates, 20 and 25c. lb.

GEO. ANDERSON,
14 East Main St. Bloomsburg, Pa.

Shoes!

Do You Know

We have the Largest Stock of Shoes in the County?

You will make a mistake if you fail to see our lines before doing your shoe buying.

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W. H. Moore,
COR. SECOND AND IRON STS.
Bloomsburg, Pa.

WILL HOLD HIS JOB.

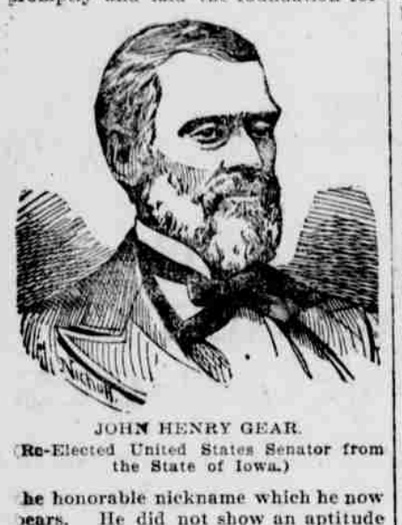
John H. Gear Reelected United States Senator from Iowa.

Started in Life as a Farm Boy and Rose to Be a Man of Business, Governor of a Great State and a National Leader.

Years ago they called John H. Gear, just reelected to the United States senate from Iowa, "Old Business." He was then governor of the state (1878-1882), and he gave the affairs of the commonwealth an attention, a care, a discriminating fidelity such as few governors before him had done. The title has clung to Senator Gear ever since, although he has gone on to higher honors and has become a servant of the nation as well as of Iowa.

Senator Gear is New York born. He belongs to the generation of young men who abandoned farm life and small commercial pursuits in the early years of the nineteenth century and came west to find room for their ambitions and energy in which to work. Born in 1825, at Ithaca, he was 18 when he made his way to Burlington, Ia., taking all the chances of travel of that time and facing poverty for the reward which labor might bring in the years to come. He was a merchant in Burlington when Chicago was a struggling village, before the Union Pacific was constructed, when St. Louis was the commercial mart of the west, when the Missouri was to be the great navigable stream of the middle country, when there was not an operated railroad west of Ohio, not a mile of telegraph line, nor any means of transportation but steamboat, stages or one's own feet.

Burlington was a town of considerable importance at that time, having a wide trade and a class of merchants noted for their progressive ideas. Senator Gear, beginning with small capital, increased his field of operations until he was one of the best known merchants in the state. He was shrewd in driving a bargain, paid great attention to details, worked incessantly, paid his bills promptly and laid the foundation for



JOHN HENRY GEAR.
(Re-Elected United States Senator from the State of Iowa.)

he honorable nickname which he now bears. He did not show an aptitude then for political life, nor did he make any effort to enter it. He was a republican as soon as the new party was organized and uncompromising in his attitude on the questions raised during the civil war, but until 1863 he did not solicit the votes of the people, and then only to become the mayor of Burlington, a position which he filled with credit.

When his term expired he retired again to private life, from which he did not emerge until 1872, when party exigencies demanded his election to the legislature, and he was sent to the house. In 1874 he was elected speaker of the house, and again in 1876 the same office was given him. His first term as speaker came at the end of the famous deadlock in the grange legislature of 1874. From the legislature he passed to the governor's chair, where he served four years. Retiring from the governor's chair, he became a private citizen again until 1886, when he was elected to congress and reelected in 1888, practically without oppostion.

The landslide against the republican party in 1890 defeated him for reelection to congress with four other congressmen of the state, but he served as assistant secretary of the treasury for some time. In 1892 his party again returned him to congress, and in January, 1894, he was elected to the United States senate as the junior senator from Iowa. His present term will end March 3, 1901. He was conspicuous in congress for his work on the committee on ways and means, where he had charge of the sugar schedule. He is now chairman of the senate committee on Pacific railways, and it was through his efforts that the government was successful in realizing $117,000,000 from them instead of the $20,000,000 offered.

Of Interest to Smokers.

The briar pipe is not made of briarwood at all. The word "briar" is a corruption of the French word "bruyere," meaning "heath," and the wood used is really that of the heather. When these pipes were introduced into this country the tradesmen found that the French word was rather too difficult for the ordinary smoker to get hold of, and they soon twisted it into the familiar briar. The supply of this wood from France is now almost exhausted, and is only found in any quantity in the Alpes Maritimes.

Also a Church Dignitary.

It is but little known that in addition to being "defender of the faith" by virtue of her position of sovereign, Queen Victoria is also the oldest dignitary of the church by virtue of her position of prebendary of St. David's cathedral, Llandaff.

Lost Human Muscles.

There are many muscles in the human body, control of which has been lost through ages of disuse.

CONGRESSMAN REEVES.

Well-Known Illinois Legislator Has Openly Announced His Desire to Become Governor.

Walter Reeves, at present the representative in congress of the Eleventh congressional district of Illinois, was born in western Pennsylvania in 1848. He came to Illinois in 1856. After leaving school he taught school for several years in La Salle, Livingston and Marshall counties. He saved his money and was enabled to study law. He was admitted to practice in Streator, Ill., in 1875, where he had resided for 24 years.

For many years he has been active in politics, and in 1894 when the Elev-

WALTER REEVES.
(Illinois Congressman Who Wants to Be Governor of the State.)

enth district was divided, the two leading candidates, Thomas J. Henderson and Henry Mayo, withdrew, and the party united on Walter Reeves. He defeated the democratic nominee for congress, Capt. Gibbons, by 4,982 votes, although at that time the district was believed to have a democratic majority of 2,000. In 1896 he was reelected by a majority of 6,251, and in 1898 he ran against ex-Attorney General Maloney and defeated him.

Mr. Reeves has served in congress with distinction. He was a member of the committees on rivers and harbors and patents. He was one of the members chosen by Speaker Reed to confer with the senate committee regarding the river and harbor bill. Mr. Reeves' efforts on that joint committee secured an investigation of the whole Nicaragua canal project. He has been greatly complimented for securing this action, which enabled congress to move intelligently in the matter.

Mr. Reeves has announced his candidacy for governor, and has been making a canvass openly for some months, declaring that he represents no faction.

In 1876 Mr. Reeves married Marietta N. Coggswell.

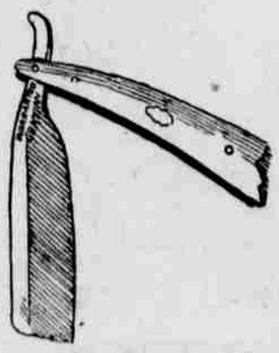
WASHINGTON'S RAZOR.

The Blade Once Used by the Immortal George Now the Property of a Missouri Lady.

The centenary of the death of George Washington has called forth the fact that a Missourian, Mrs. Julia E. Maus, of Linneus, is the possessor of a razor that was the property of the Father of His Country during the revolution, and which he used last on the morning following the battle of Brandywine, says the St. Louis Republic.

A well-known colonial character and especial friend of Washington's, Maj Vivian Brookin, who was taking leave of his superior officer, said to the commander: "Gen. Washington, I want you to give me some trivial thing as a token of our friendship, and which I may retain as a keepsake."

The general, then just finishing shaving, turned from the mirror



WASHINGTON'S RAZOR.
(Now in Possession of Mrs. Julia E. Maus, Linneus, Mo.)

handed Brookin the razor and replied: "Here, take this, and I assure you that with pleasure it is given."

When Maj. Brookin died, several years later, in Petersburg, Va., the razor was left to his grandson and namesake, Col. Vivian Brookin Holmes, who has relatives in Linneus and Centralia, Mo. The blade, after the death of Holmes, passed into the ownership of Mrs. Maus, who still retains the interesting relic.

Upon the blade of the razor, which is of a peculiar shape, the words: "Warranted Gratian," are found near its heel. The handle, on account of its great age, has almost decayed, only about half of the original remaining. In the center is a small ornamental carving.

South African War News.

The news from South Africa starts at Cape Town, is sent to Delagoa bay thence to Mozambique, to Zanzibar, to Aden. There it is repeated to Suez, a distance of over 1,400 miles. From Suez it is repeated 143 miles to Alexandria where it is repeated again, this time under the Mediterranean, 925 miles, to Malta. From Malta it goes to Gibraltar, and thence to Lisbon, the great cable center, 383 miles. At this point it plunges under the Atlantic, 890 miles to Penzance, and so on to London, and the rest of the world.

AN ELASTIC CURRENCY.

THE PLAN SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS BY HON. JOSEPH C. SIBLEY.

A Proposition That Would Enable Money to Be Secured Independent of Bankers in Times of Financial Distrust.

The currency bill introduced in congress by Hon. Joseph C. Sibley deserves the careful consideration of our national lawmakers, and all who are interested in stability of prices and prevention of financial panics, injuriously affecting, as they do, all legitimate interests. The bill provides that any holder of government bonds may deposit them with the United States treasurer, and receive therefor 80 per cent of their face value in treasury notes of the same debt paying power as now granted to the notes issued by national banks. During the period of deposit the interest on the bonds shall cease, or be covered into the United States treasury. Upon the surrender of the certificate of deposit, together with payment of treasury notes equal in amount to the sum advanced, the bonds may again be converted to the use of their lawful owner. The merits of such a measure briefly are as follows:

IT AFFORDS ELASTICITY.

It provides for a currency that would automatically expand and contract according to the demands of business. Within the last few weeks money has loaned in New York as high as 186 per cent. During the panic of 1893 money could not be borrowed with government bonds as security. Under the provisions of the bill introduced by Mr. Sibley in time of financial distress the currency could be expanded, if necessary, more than $400,000,000. The reason for naming 80 per cent of the face value of the bonds is that the government shall not be put regularly in the business of loaning money, but merely to lend its power to prevent excessive rates of interest or financial disaster. When money is worth more in the open market than the interest on 80 per cent of the face value of the bonds, money would flow out into circulation. When the interest upon 80 per cent was worth less than the interest upon the face of the bonds, the currency would flow back into the treasury and the bonds be withdrawn. Mr. Sibley's statement being that both a scarcity of money and a redundancy of money may possess danger, the scarcity hindering business and paralyzing industries, while a too redundant currency might provoke speculation and overtrading, which would in the end inevitably invite disaster. Mr. Sibley states that he is not wedded to any fixed percentage to be advanced by the treasury, but any percentage from 50 up to 80 would be satisfactory, as the wisdom of the house may determine. This measure has received a great deal of attention among lawmakers and bankers, one and all agreeing that it has features which entitle it to careful consideration. No one has yet been able to offer a valid objection, but these perhaps may come when the bill is analyzed by the committee on banking and currency.

PITY THE POOR BANKS.

The only objection that has yet been made is to the effect that the banks are in business to loan money and derive their profits therefrom, and should not be subjected to competition through loans made by the government. In reply to this objection Mr. Sibley urges that under the new currency bill which has recently passed the house bankers are enabled to issue money up to the full face value of their bonds, at the same time receiving interest upon the bonds so deposited, and to give to the holder of bonds the privilege of losing his interest, and drawing 60, 75 or 80 per cent of the face value of his bonds does not subject the bank to any unfair competition, and that the bankers themselves, under stress of financial circumstances, might be great beneficiaries, which would enable them to convert their securities into cash during the prevalence of a panic, which would make a run upon their resources. Mr. Sibley urges that under the provisions of a law such as this there could not again occur a great financial revulsion, and that the advantages would not be centered in New York or in any great city, but would benefit locally, throughout the entire United States, the community where there might be a scarcity of money which would force rates abnormally high and threaten to create a panic. Secretary Gage declares that the worst characteristic of our financial system is its rigidity, and Mr. Sibley's plan certainly would overcome this to considerable extent at least.

Senator Hoar's resolutions are giving the imperialists more worry than they can stand, and with one accord they are trying to find relief by declaring they are in favor of them but are opposed to their enforcement.—San Francisco Call.

Now it is said that Mark Hanna will be chairman of the Republican national committee after all. The administration has evidently recovered from its fear that the presence of the high brahmin of trusts on the committee would be dangerous.—Boston Traveler.

The charge that McKinley and his official advisers are under the thumb of the money trust can be proved, if the charges are pressed home and the facts are forced into the light by determined and persistent action of the Democratic members of congress.—Kansas City Times.

The amount of the appropriations for purposes other than usual government expenditure introduced during the first 12 days of the present session of congress reached $280,845,366, or at the rate of nearly $24,000,000 per day.—Philadelphia Record.

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MODERN MEANING OF GUN.

The Word Is More Often Applied to the Great Engines of Death.

"The evolution of the word 'gun' forms an interesting study in up-to-date etymology," remarked one of a party of newspaper men, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. "A dozen or so years ago we all understood gun to mean a fowling piece—a shotgun as distinguished from a rifle or a musket. Heavy and light ordnance, in fact all pieces of artillery, without regard to size, were known as cannon. That, of course, was where people made an effort to speak English. Out in the frontier the word gun was applied exclusively to pistols.

"Nowadays the nomenclature has curiously changed. By degrees the good old word gun has become monopolized by the long, slim, murderous machines that constitute our modern artillery. We speak of quick-fire guns, eight-inch, ten-inch, twelve-inch guns, and the word seems singularly apropos. They are not cannon. 'Cannon' immediately suggests the big, lumbering, black-throated, smooth-bores of the past. The word conjures up all sorts of curious antique pictures — swabbers naked to the waist, motionless men holding lighted matches, frigates lashed together and firing into each other's ports, Sepoys bound to the muzzle, neat geometric pyramids of round shot in neat geometric forts, the charge of the Light Brigade, and lots of other things too numerous to mention."

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.

Should Lord Salisbury Retire from Office, He Would Become Minister of Great Britain.

Repeated rumors of the retirement of Lord Salisbury lend interest to the report that the duke of Devonshire is to be the next prime minister of England. It is pointed out that Hon. Schomberg K. McDonnell, Lord Salis-

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.
(Possible Successor to Lord Salisbury as British Premier.)

bury's principal political secretary, has volunteered for service in South Africa and that this action would not have been taken if his principal intended to remain in office for any length of time. The duke of Devonshire is the leader of the liberal unionists. He is now 66 years old and has been prominent in politics for more than 40 years. Though a lifelong liberal he is one of the richest noblemen in England, owning nearly 200,000 acres of land, in addition to coal and other mines. He split with Gladstone on the question of home rule, but afterwards declined to join Lord Salisbury's cabinet after the secession of Lord Randolph Churchill. In addition to his house in London he owns no less than seven castles and country seats. He is a brother of that Lord Frederick Cavendish who was assassinated in Phoenix park, Dublin, in 1882.

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Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

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There have been poultry books printed costing fifteen dollars and more, but there has never been one at any price with more beautiful colored reproductions of poultry, than those found in Biggle Poultry Book, an announcement of which appears in another column. The paintings were made direct from best birds of the different breeds, and the coloring and characteristic shape of each breed are perfect. As for the text, there never was a book printed containing more practical, level-headed information. Its chapters include, "Eggs for Hatching," "Hatching the Eggs," "Care of Chicks with Hens and Brooders," "The Successful Care of Incubators," "The Farmer's Flock," "The Village Hennery;" chapters on "Breeds," on "Fattening and Marketing," and "Diseases and Remedies," with the old and new school methods of treatment. One man wrote the publishers that, "The mottoes alone at each chapter heading were worth the cost of the book." Twenty thousand copies of this admirable work have been printed. The price is 50 cents, free by mail; address the publishers, Wilmer Atkinson Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Other noteworthy features of the number are are Walter Wellman's account of the extraordinary experiences of his last year's Arctic expedition; Governor Boutwell's reminiscences of the Grant administration, under which he himself was a member of the Cabinet; Mr. Alleyne Ireland's exposition of the relative strength of the great powers in colonial territory, population and resources; Cleveland Moffett's account of the latest discoveries and speculations regarding the composition of the interior of the earth, as unfolded in conversations with the great earthquake expert, Prof. John Milne; and Ray Stannard Baker's intimate biographical and character study of the new Governor of Cuba, General Leonard Wood. All of these articles, except Governor Boutwell's, are fully illustrated.

A piece of fiction entitled "The Killing of the Mammoth," published in McClure's some months ago, was taken by many readers as a record of fact—as much to the surprise as to the regret of the editors. In the present number, Mr. Frederic A. Lucas, of the National Museum, gives us "The Truth About the Mammoth;" and the truth, as Mr. Lucas, out of his ample scientific knowledge, presents it, is so extremely interesting that even those who were most misled by the inventions of the story writer will feel that ample amends are here made.

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When people meet by chance they must expect their marriage to be a lottery.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and Tersely Told.

The Lawton fund has reached $98,054.

Admiral and Mrs. Dewey attended the arch fund concert at Carnegie hall, New York.

The total amount of property exempt from taxation in Greater New York is $321,200,371.

One man was shot and several were beaten in a riot among building trade strikers in Chicago.

Secretary Gage was prevented from coming to New York to attend the bankers' banquet by a severe cold.

The Liberal national convention in the City of Mexico ordered a count of the votes cast at the plebiscite to choose a candidate for president. President Diaz was said to have a large majority.

Tuesday, Feb. 6.

A severe gale did damage to shipping on the New England coast.

The Chicago board of trade has abolished trading in puts and calls.

M. Clement Armand Falliers, Republican, was re-elected president of the French senate.

The state has rested its case in the prosecution of Roland B. Molineux for murder in New York city.

William Henry Gilder, the explorer, a brother of Richard Watson Gilder, died at his home in Morristown, N. J.

Mormon converts to the number of 35 arrived from Switzerland, Belgium and Holland on the steamship Anchoria.

A washout on the Hudson River railroad near Hastings derailed a freight train, blocking traffic on all tracks. No one was killed or injured.

Russian newspapers urged that advantage be taken of Britain's war in South Africa to secure ports on the Mediterranean and the Indian ocean.

The liner Anchoria arrived seven days late. The return sailings of several ships were postponed. Ice drift hindered navigation in New York harbor.

Five masked robbers bound the watchman at Mariner's Harbor ferryhouse, on Staten Island, blew open the safe, wrecking the interior of the building, and escaped with $100.

Monday, Feb. 5.

There were 134 fatal cases of sunstroke at Buenos Ayres.

The Spanish war was reported to have cost the United States $355,000,000.

The South Congregational church of Boston adopted water for the communion service.

John Nilsson of Minneapolis broke the world's skating record for three miles at Montreal.

A snowstorm brought the first really good sleighing of the season in northern New York.

Fire completely destroyed St. Louis' Roman Catholic church in West Springfield, Mass.

Rev. Booker Fox, one of the most noted negro evangelists in the west, is dead, aged 104 years.

Former Consul C. E. Macrum, on his way from South Africa to Washington, arrived in New York.

An explosion of 3,200 pounds of nitroglycerin near Wellsville, N. Y., created a small earthquake. No lives were lost.

Edward Morton and his wife, Minnie, of Hartford were terribly burned as the result of the upsetting of a can of oil on their cook stove.

Saturday, Feb. 3.

Churches of Chicago organized a branch of the Actors' Church alliance in that city.

Fire at Youngstown, O., did damage amounting to between $400,000 and $500,000.

Nineteen families were made homeless by fire in Brownsville, N. Y. The loss was $15,000.

The foreign commerce of the United States increased to a remarkable degree during the past year.

Fire Chief Swenie of Chicago was overcome by smoke at a fire and narrowly escaped with his life.

Four children of George Winas of Bentonville, N. Y., left alone in their home, were burned to death with the house.

A contagious disease, apparently influenza, is epidemic among the horses in Berlin and its suburbs. A few have died.

Dr. Madison C. Peters has resigned the pastorate of the Bloomingdale Reformed church, New York city, because he does not believe it right to baptize infants.

Friday, Feb. 2.

Two deaths were caused by the cold in Chicago.

New York city experienced the coldest Feb. 1 that has been felt for 19 years.

A dispatch from Peking said the report of the death of the Chinese emperor was not confirmed.

Great Britain is endeavoring to induce the United States to join her in a parcels post establishment.

The price of iron was advanced in South Staffordshire, England, 10s. per ton on account of the dearness of coal.

The United Mine Workers of the west have issued an ultimatum to the operators, and a strike is seriously threatened.

Paintings worth $20,000 were destroyed in a fire at 106 East Twenty-third street, New York, where artists have their studios.

Thursday, Feb. 1.

Richard Croker is gaining and hopes to be able to use his broken leg in two weeks.

Heavy snows in eastern Germany have greatly damaged telephones and telegraphs.

Both the state of Nebraska and Ethiopia, long overdue, arrived at the port of New York.

M. Zola was acquitted in Paris in the libel suit brought against him by the Petit Journal.

Ex-Minister Phelps, suffering from pneumonia at his home in New Haven, was reported much weaker.

Three negroes were whipped Sunday near Tifton, Ga., because they would not admit a theft, and two of them died as a result.

Near Ottumwa, Ia., Charles Spencer, a religious fanatic, held his naked babe in the bitter cold until it froze to death. The mother watched him do it.

New Trial For Benham.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Feb. 7.—The news of the decision of Justice Hooker in giving Benham a new trial was heard with much surprise in Batavia. Upon being informed of the decision by a reporter Benham's father immediately wired his son in Auburn prison.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

Notes and Comments, Political and Otherwise, on Matters of Interest.

By Andrew J. Palm.

Our Republican friends are boasting considerably about what they call the absence of the soup house, and hold forth the idea that everybody is prosperous. It is worthy to note, however, that the Republican papers of Philadelphia on the day after Christmas gave a list showing the number of persons who had been fed by charity the day before. The number fed in different places varied from 75,000 in the homes and asylums to 225 fed by the Life Line League. The total number was 110,425. It would be well in view of this not to destroy all the soup houses just yet. They will be in great demand by and by. McKinley has sent many thousands of our idle men to risk their lives in killing off our fellow men in his scheme of benevolent assimilation, but as they will all be asking for pensions by and by, it isn't much advantage after all over the soup house.

The New York World has done a great work in securing a monster petition of the best men of the country urging President McKinley to offer his services toward stopping the criminal aggression of the English against the Boers in South Africa. But what does the World take McKinley for? He has no sense of consistency, and he has never been credited with courage, but lacking both consistency and courage he still has sense enough to know that if he would say to John Bull, "You are murdering innocent men in the Transvaal, let me show you how not to do it," Bull would quick make reply, "You're another. You began first, now quit before you begin lecturing us." Oh, no, Mr. McKinley isn't going to mention anything like that to England. He is more likely to send a commission of college professors over to learn how an Englishman can stick a lance through two prisoners at once, a brilliant feat that they call "pig sticking." It's so English, you know, that we ought by all means to have it.

The United States mail service now carries a letter 7,000 miles for two cents, and yet nobody is complaining that it is too cheap. The telegraph companies, however, continue right along exacting at least three times as much for their services as it is worth. There is no more reason why the government should not assume control of the telegraph than there is why it should give the mail service over to some trust or corporation. The wonder is that the Mark Hannas and Pierpont Morgans have not discovered before this that the government ought not to be troubled about the matter of carrying the mails. If the mail service at the present time were in the control of private individuals it is safe to say that the powers controlling our public affairs would see to it that the government should have nothing to do with it. They would point out the dangers of government control of the mail service, and the majority would be foolish to believe them, or at least not take enough interest in the matter to declare that private control of the public mail service should cease. The public ownership of the telegraph and railroads never ought to have been given into the hands of private parties, and should be taken charge of by the government without unnecessary delay.

We hear so much flapdoodle about the dear old flag, exalted patriotism, how sweet it is die for one's country, etc., that one would almost be led to believe that men are anxious to give themselves a sacrifice to the god of war that they may be referred to as heroes. We find, however, that of the patriots who were so madly in love with their country that they were willing to leave the comforts of peace and civilization to fight against Spain, 5,772 deserted. In the civil war the desertions from the Union army were 117,640. The sweetness of dying for one's country may sound well in story books, but it is the mythiest sort of myth when it comes down to actual business. The sweetness in military matters is confined exclusively to those gentlemen who draw big salaries as officers and to the shallowpated hero worshipers who seem to think that the business of destroying life and property and causing untold suffering is more worthy of honor than saving life and relieving distress. If it were not for the army contractors who grow rich by stealing from the government and the brass buttoned dudes who receive big salaries and the plaudits of the multitude the war spirit would die out in a generation. It is high time that we should either cease to hang men for committing a single murder or quit paying and teaching thousands to commit wholesale murder.

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By virtue of a writ of Alias Levari Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be sold at public sale, at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, on

SATURDAY, FEB. 10, 1900,

at two o'clock in the afternoon, all that certain messuage and tract of land, situate in Shuman's addition to the Town of Catawissa, in the Township of Catawissa, in the County of Columbia and State of Penn'a, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point in Church street, in said addition; thence south thirty-nine degrees twenty-five minutes, east three hundred and fifty-nine feet, to land of Harmon Young; thence by same and lands of Catawissa School District, north fifty degrees thirty-five minutes, east one hundred and ninety-five and five-tenths feet to corner; thence by said school land north twenty-three degrees fifty-three minutes, west one hundred and six and five-tenths feet to an alley; thence by the same north sixty-nine degrees, east two hundred and forty feet to a corner; thence by land laid out as a cemetery, by said F. L. Shuman, twenty-four degrees, west three hundred and twenty-five feet to a corner; thence by same north sixty-six degrees, east forty feet to a corner; thence by same south twenty-four degrees, east two hundred and fifty-three feet, to line of land of Widow Gunther; thence by same south fifty-six degrees thirty-five minutes, west three hundred and twenty-seven feet to a corner; thence by said land south thirty-three degrees five minutes, east one hundred and twenty-two feet to a corner; thence by said land south forty degrees, west one hundred and one feet to a corner; thence by said land and across public road, on right of way of S. H. & W. R. R., south forty-six degrees forty-five minutes, east eighty-five feet to a corner; thence north fifty-three degrees forty-five minutes, west four hundred and forty feet to point in Mill street, in said addition; thence in and along said street north forty degrees twenty-five minutes, west five hundred and fifty-eight feet to a point in said street; thence north fifty-one degrees, east one hundred and eighty-three feet to a corner of lands of W. H. Rhawn, thence by said lands north thirty-nine degrees twenty-five minutes, west five hundred and thirty-one feet to said Church street; thence along said street north sixty-seven degrees, east three hundred and fifty-two and five-tenths feet to the place of beginning, containing

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being the same premises which the said F. L. Shuman and Angelina, his wife, by their indenture, bearing date Sept. 17th, 1888, herewith granted and conveyed unto said O. D. L. Kostenbauder, in the consideration of $4,000, to secure the payment of which this mortgage was given. There are no buildings erected on the tract, but a large portion of the same has been plotted and laid out into

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W. W. BLACK, Sheriff.

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RHAWN, Attys.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Alias Fi. Fa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, and to me directed, there will be sold at public sale, on the premises, in Centralia, on

SATURDAY, FEB. 10, 1900,

at 2 o'clock p m., all those two certain lots, or pieces of ground, situated in the Borough of Centralia, County of Columbia and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO. 1.—Beginning at the northwest corner of Paxton and Laurel streets; thence along said Laurel street south eighty-seven degrees, north one hundred and forty feet to an alley; thence along said alley north three degrees, west twenty-five feet to a stake; thence north eighty-seven degrees, west one hundred and forty feet to Paxton street; thence along said Paxton street south three degrees, east twenty-five feet to the point of beginning, being the lots which are marked on the general map or plan of said Town of Centralia, as laid out by the Locust Mountain Coal and Iron Company, with the number twelve (12) and block number eighteen (18), and the same lot which the Locust Mountain Coal and Iron Company, by their indenture, bearing date of June 21st, 1888, conveyed to James M. Reilley, whereon is erected a two-story

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LOT NO. 2.—All that certain lot, or piece of ground, situated in the Borough of Centralia, County and State aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the west side of Paxton street, south of the property of James Jennings, being the lot marked with the number ten (10), and block number eighteen (18), in the general map or plan of the said Town of Centralia, and the same lot which the Centralia Mutual Saving Association, of Centralia, Pa., by their indenture, bearing date the 28th day of March, A. D. 1877, did grant and convey, to James M. Reilley, his heirs and assigns, forever, whereon is erected a two-story

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W. W BLACK, Sheriff.

FRANK A'TY.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, and to me directed, there will be sold at public sale, at the Court House, Bloomsburg, on

SATURDAY, FEB. 10, 1900,

at 2 o'clock p m., all that certain lot of land, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the southwest corner of Seventh and Poplar street, southwardly forty and nine-tenths feet(40.9) to the lot of Catharine Ohl, thence westwardly one hundred and ninety-nine and eight-tenths feet(199.8) to Strawberry alley, thence northwardly along said alley, thirty feet to lot of Dennis Donahue, thence north eastwardly along line of said lot fifty-four and six-tenths feet (54.6) to Seventh street aforesaid, thence eastwardly along said street one hundred and thirty-nine and four-tenths feet (39.4) to place of beginning; where on is erected a two-story

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and out-buildings, being the same lot of land conveyed to said Mary Ohl by Caleb Barton and others by deed recorded in Recorder's office of Columbia County, in Deed Book No. 43 at page 381.

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BIG BEND, NEAR BACOOR, P. I.
Jan. 4, 1900.

DEAR PARENTS,

Your long looked for letter arrived in camp to-day and was very glad to hear from you all. It has been a little over three months since hearing from you, longer than ever before. The way the boys rush at the sound of the mail wagon, makes one think of a midnight charge of the caribou.

It did not surprise me to hear of Mr. Jacoby being very ill, for he was bad when I saw him last. You mentioned something about a snow storm. Well we have no snow balls here, not even a chill, except malaria. At this writing my pard and I are very comfortably situated in our "bahi" or shack. He is one of those good natured boys who makes one laugh at a glimpse. He is now figuring on how long it will take him to walk to N. Y. via of the north pole. Perhaps this letter will be very much disconnected, but you must blame him. Our dinner just over, after which we always have an hour to loaf. It was a lovely meal. A sort of mixture, one lad said it was surely not "Dukes" for it had not near so good a flavor. Still my health is very good and my appetite still stays with me. My continual contact with bananas, oranges, chicos, and fish seems to have a very beneficial effect for I weigh more than ever. Company G. is just across the river from us. G. company is the one comrade Stiner of Bloom is in. He is enjoying soldiering real well and looks very healthy. He says he is feeling very much domesticated. Mr. Coonie Girton of Bloom, requested me to let him know something about Chas. Well he must be on the north line for I can find nothing out about him here, perhaps he will hear from him long before you get this.

Still life here is very uncertain. Yesterday Co. C. found one of its members murdered. He had a great number of bolo cuts on his head and body. A bolo is similiar to a corn knife.

Last eve we were reinforced by the 38 Reg't. who had just landed. In the early morning shots were fired by them. Orders came immediately to fall in, which we did very quickly, all of us expecting to have a real good fight. We did not. After all became calm and daylight appeared the dead and wounded were collected as follows: Two water buffalos, three dogs and one private of A. company. He fell in a well and got too much salt water in his throat. That is just about the extent of these battles. Perhaps something about the habits of these natives will interest you. They are all very fond of fish and rice as a food. It seems to be about all they eat. Yet on New Year's day a great many had 'roasted hog.' It amused me to see them roast it. After dressing (which is done just as done in the States) it was placed on a long bamboo pole and put up on two forked sticks, a slow fire in under and several natives at each end of the pole, which they turned continually until the hog was nice and brown. Then came the division. One old lady who seemed more poor than the rest was allowed to carry off the ears. One party had the inner portion in a bowl. It had been boiled over another fire. This was used as a dressing. Well all seemed to be well pleased. These people all eat out of the same bowl and with their fingers. About dress. All seem to be very particular about the cleanliness of their clothes. Some wear very fine silk. Ladies wear a skirt which they fasten about the waist with a draw string or twist tight and tuck under. Each lady wears a waist with very short and large sleeves and very low in the neck. These waists are very short and do not reach the skirt by four inches. It is no wonder they get tanned by the sun. Men wear white duck pants and a thin gauze shirt on Sunday, but no shirt through the week. Little children go without any. All wear wooden sandals. Xmas day was a great day among them. The native band at Las Penas headed the procession. Their banners were made of bamboo and tissue paper. All designs represented some animal or a star. At the church mass was held and it was beautifully decorated. The great pipe organ was played by the priest and it is a sweet toned instrument. The members made it from bamboo. These funerals are quite odd. The corpse reposes on a cradle-shape litter and is carried on the shoulders of four natives. The procession consists of three men and three children in the lead, each carry flags and banners. Two of the little boys continually ring bells at the cemetery. If the relatives cannot afford a vault, they must bury in the ground. Each grave is dug very shallow. Those who use vaults pay a yearly rent. If not paid promptly they drag out the corpse, and toss it in a corner provided for the purpose. These piles are not inviting, or sweet to gaze upon. On New Year's night some one put a candle in a skull and set it under the sergeant's bunk. Well, it looked fierce, and I got one day in the guard house. It was something that I did not do, but I don't care. It was the first time in the mill for me. Kind of makes me proud, for a man is not a true soldier until he has been in the guard tent.

Our camp is situated on the bank of the Imus river, and we go swimming daily. This is very much like harvest time. Drill call will sound soon, will finish later. Drill over and supper also. Nothing now but sleep until morn, except a scrap with mosquitoes and lizards. One centipede came in our tent the other evening we went out. After a good chase we killed it. No one seems to like their presence. Tarantulas and scorpions are quite plentiful, and snakes galore, but the most numerous are ants—ants of all varieties. Some are white. These white ants secrete an acid, which eats through tin and glass. Lizards are very plenty, and one kind over a foot long. Those are the ones which seem to like our beds. Almost every evening we hear a piercing shriek. We know the rest—soldier and lizard both in one tent.

By the way, mother, a very funny plant or vine grows here. As quick as it is touched it closes very quick, and the leaf falls down about the stem. We call it "Touch me Not." Enclosed find some seed. Plant in sandy loam and don't water too often. Hope it grows, as it will add to your varied collection. Also some seeds of the miniature morning glory. But this is not a land of flowers, not near so much as Ohan, the island that Honolulu is on. Guess I told you all I could about those places. Must close, as we go in a hike soon and must get ready. Expect to go to Manila on a pass next week; will send you some curios from there. My hopes are that you all remain well until my return. Give my respects to all, and my love to you all. I remain,

Your loving son,
W. E. AMMERMAN,
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The writer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ammerman, of Light-street.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23, 1900.

DEAR MOTHER AND ALL:—

I took a most interesting trip last Sunday, and it may be interesting to you for me to write about it. It was a trip to the top of Mount Tamalpais (Mt. Tim-el-pias). I will herewith enclose a little advertising sheet, which may serve to your better understanding of what I am going to relate. This mountain is not so high (only 2500 feet above sea level), but still it's above the clouds, and is the first time in my life that I have been above the clouds, so that to look in on them seems like an immense snow covered plane. My, but it is an inspiring sight. I had no idea it was so interesting a trip, or I would have taken it long ago.

The cost of fare, as you will observe, is only $1.40 for the round trip. I started at 10 a. m. and arrived at the top a little past noon. We took a ferry boat at the foot of Market street, S. F., and went to Sansalito (Sans-a-leeto). It was cold or chilly in city and cloudy or foggy at Sansalito; took a train to Mill Valley, and there we changed cars to the Mountain R. R., which was a train of two coaches, open coaches, except one-half of one of them closed with large windows, so as to not obstruct the view. The engine is behind the coaches, so as to push them instead of pulling. The grade is so steep that an ordinary engine could not run, so these engines are worked by cog wheels, which work in the driving wheels—a funny looking engine.

After leaving Mill Valley we pass a number of groves of the celebrated California Red wood trees, the first that I have seen. They resemble the hemlock trees, only taller and more slender, and not so many branches, and the branches are rather small, quite small, compared with some hemlock, and every tree, large or small, is as straight as an arrow. The foliage is not so thick as the hemlock, coarser. There were none of the very large trees, either. I saw one about four feet thick, but you can't find one that has the least crook in it. The Madrones trees are not large, but strange looking, some of the largest a foot thick, and a smooth, yellowish green bark. This bark is as smooth as a person's skin, and the leaves are something like laurel leaves, only not so long and broader, with a waxy lustre. What they call laurel here is nothing like Pennsylvania laurel, for it's a tree sometimes 100 feet high and over a foot thick—an odd and pretty tree to eastern folks. The oaks are rather scrubby and look like big apple trees there, and the leaves look much like apple leaves, only not quite so large. A stranger would hardly suspect them of being oaks. There is lots of peculiar underbrush, some that remind one of huckleberry bushes, but they are not. Lots of ferns, that grow one stem out of the ground and branches off to a number of ferns, like you find there growing singly. There is also lots of Manzanita, which is nearest to Pennsylvania common laurel, yet the leaves are far different, but the wood is about as crooked as Pennsylvania laurel, and the bark is a glossy chestnut brown, and as smooth as a person's skin. They make odd canes—canes that look as if they were painted and varnished when dry. Manzanita is a Spanish word, meaning little apples, and strange to say, in the fall they are full of little apples, looking much like the little wild crabapples there They are now in blossom, but not so many blossoms as the laurel there. These blossoms look more like the trailing arbutus flower, and in little bunches.

This map shows this mountain road to be very crooked, but, my goodness, the map doesn't show one-tenth of the curves, and such sharp curves that as I sat in the second coach (in center), half of the first coach would be out of sight around the curves many times before the front end of second coach could come to the curve at all and if we would ever run off the track and go down the side of that mountain there would be nothing left to show but match sticks and grease spots, but they don't go very fast so that there is no danger. When we look way down below the train and see where we passed and then look way up at some places and see where we are to go one thinks can it be possible? One place we looked up and saw the hotel above not very far but then we were only half way over the road. The pictures will give you some idea, but poor idea, of the zig-zag way we went. When we left Mill Valley it was chilly and some more fog, but as we went up the fog cloud became thicker and thicker, so that often we could not see a 100 yards, and as we went through these clouds it became colder and colder, so that all the passengers were furnished with heavy wool lap robes like when you go sleighing. I had no overcoat so I got mighty cold and went in the enclosed part of car, and wrapped up in a robe. As we got near the top the fog was thinner and thinner until once in while the sun would shine through them a little, but when we got to the top there we found nothing but sun shine and a lovely day, really too hot to sit in the sun. I could hardly believe my own eyes and feeling. So cold coming through the clouds and so warm above the clouds. Sometimes these clouds would come up to within a couple hundred yards of the top then gradually recede again. My, it was a lovely sight. Looking off in every direction we could see nothing but clouds below, but not a cloud above us. Below was sea of clouds as far as we could see, which looked like a great plane as far as could see covered with beautiful white snow, with occasional snow drifts. It was so white that it dazzled my eyes something like when we look at snow when the sun shines on it. Mt. Diablo poked its peak out of the clouds and looked like an island in this white sea.

I lounged around the hotel and the government weather station which is all there on top until 4 P. M. and arrived in city again at 6 P. M. The Gov. weather signal station there is quite a thing with a man in charge all the time with all kinds of instruments to note how fast the wind blows Barometer, Thermometer tests, etc. There are some days when this cloud ocean is not present, then one can see over Frisco, The Golden Gate and the Pacific ocean and even to the Sierra Nevada mountains 175 miles away. They say there are hardly 2 days in the year that the scene is exactly the same. If it rains in Frisco then it rains on this mountain for the rain clouds usually go above its top. During the winter months these clouds or tide fog comes from the land but during the summer they come from the ocean through the Golden Gate. The *air line* distance from Frisco to the top is only about 13 miles. The air line distance from Mill Valley to the top is only 3 miles, yet the R. R. has to travel 8 miles to get to the top.

The burr on the redwood tree is very much like that on the hemlock a trifle larger and a trifle coarser, but very little.

Seems cold to me this evening, yet the parks and lawns are full of Calla lillies in full bloom, why these lillies are planted like hedge rows and every bulb has a beautiful flower. At the Cliff House I see pansies and roses and other flowers blooming in the open flower beds. Good night.

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Hennessy—Barrett.

The wedding of Miss Catharine Barrett, of this city, and Mr. John Hennessy, a prominent young business man of Bloomsburg, was solemnized in St. Joseph's Catholic church at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. I. O'Reilly, priest of that church, in the presence of the families of the contracting parties and and a large number of friends. Miss Annie Martin of this city attended the bride and Mr. Thomas Hennessy, of Bloomsburg, brother of the groom acted in the capacity of best man. The bride wore a dark blue traveling gown with a Gainsboro hat and the groom the conventional black. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs Margaret Barrett, 545 Railroad Street, of which some forty guests partook. The repast disposed of, the bride and groom were driven to the Penn'a station where they boarded the 12:38 train for Philadelphia and Washington. On their return they will take up their residence in Bloomsburg. Among the guests from a distance who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gorrey, Miss Elizabeth Gorrey, Miss Katherine Hennessy, Mr. M. I. Hennessy, of Bloomsburg and Miss Maggie Barrett of Florida. —Danville *Sun.*

Is Baby Too Thin?

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

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We probably owe our little superstition about the ground-hog on this day to our early German settlers, they, no doubt, have brought it over with them from the fatherland. An old proverbial expression in German has it that "the badger peeps out of his hole on Candlemas Day, and when he finds snow walks abroad; if he sees the sun shining he draws back into his hole." As the badger is comparatively unknown with us east of the Mississippi the mantel fell upon the woodchuck, or ground hog. Farmers of the Middle States call this day "ground-hog day" almost exclusively. They watch to see if Mr. Ground-hog can see his shadow—that is, if the sun is shining—Candlemas Day, when he is said to emerge from his hibernating slumbers, and believe that if he does six weeks more cold weather is to come; but if it is gray and cloudy and he cannot see his shadow the winter is over.

The ground-hog saw his shadow Friday, so six weeks of cold weather is likely to ensue—if the sign doesn't fail. And it has been known to miss about as often as it has connected.

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